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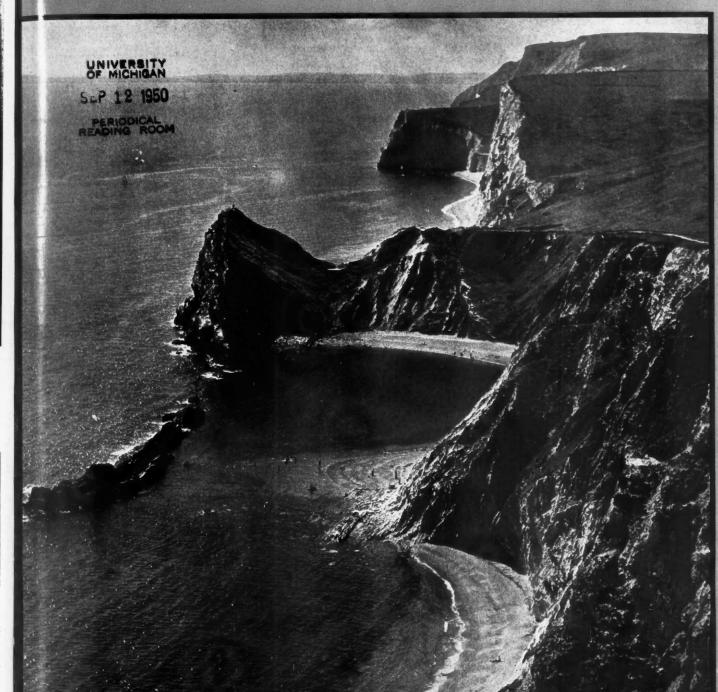
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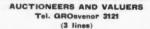
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On high ground close to village with station for London.
THIS REALLY ATTRACTIVE BUNGALOW RESIDENCE



occupies a high and sunny position with pleasant views. It contains entrance hall with cloakroom, 2 reception rooms, kitchen, scullery, 5 bedrooms, in three of which are basins, and 2 bathrooms. All main services are connected as well as central heating. The grounds extend to 13/4 ACRES, including a valuable grass orchard. There are 2 garages.

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Wide spreading lawns, old clipped yews, hard tennis court built in the old monks' garden. Walled kitchen gardens and meadowland, in all

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Built by the owner regardless of cost. Luxuriously fitted and labour-saving throughout.

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5 Acres of common with foreshore rights. In all about 7 ACRES
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Delightfully wooded gardens and grounds.

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With Possession.

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Well planned modern Georgian-style Residence on two floors only. 3 reception, 5 princi-pal and 3 secondary bedrooms, 3 bathrooms.

Main electricity and water, complete central heating. Garage for 2/3 cars.

Modern 5-roomed lodge. Lovely gardens and grounds and parklike pasture, in all

17 ACRES

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facing south.

Entrance hall (12 ft. 6 in. by 11 ft.) with strip oak floor. 2 reception rooms, one with valuable tapestries to walls. Vinery. Modern offices. 4 bedrooms, bathroom.

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Central heating.

Double garage.

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IN ALL NEARLY 1 ACRE

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Gardener's cottage.
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ABOUT 1% ACRES VACANT POSSESSION ON COMPLETION



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Cottage having 3 reception, 3 bedrooms, bathroom and
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All main services. 2 garages.

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In a delightful position adjacent to golf course about 5 miles In a delightful position adjacent to golf course about 5 miles from Bletchiey.

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Main electric light, power and heating.

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LOW PRICE FREEHOLD

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Between Bishop's Stortford and Saffron Walden. 2 miles from Newport Station main line.

A CHARMING SMALL HOUSE

Built of red brick and standing high up.

With hall. 2 reception rooms, 4-5 bedrooms, bathroom.

Main electricity and water. Garage.

Matured gardens with excellent kitchen garden and well-stocked orchard, in all

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Occupying a very convenient and quiet position within easy reach of the Station having first-class trains to Town.

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Situate in an old village, convenient for station and Green
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A CHARMING QUEEN ANNE RESIDENCE

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in splendid order
with 3-4 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms.
Main services.

Garage. Stabling. Large barn.
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ABOUT 1 ACRE
FOR SALE FREEHOLD

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Having interesting historical associations.

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CENTRAL HEATING. ALL MAIN SERVICES.
Garage for 3 cars. Outbuildings.
Delightful grounds with hard tennis court and paddock.
IN ALL ABOUT 6 ACRES
PRICE FREEHOLD £13,000

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SOUTH DEVON COAST

quay. Superb position directly overlooking the sea.
Magnificent uninterrupted views.
CHARMING HOUSE OF CHARACTER IN
GEORGIAN STYLE

GEORGIAN STYLE

Completely modernised and in perfect order,
7 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 4 reception.

CENTRAL HEATING. ALL MAIN SERVICES.

Garage. Stabling.

Well stocked garden. In all about
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Much favoured position, 450 feet above sea level. Close to well-known picturesque village

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THIS DELIGHTFUL OLD PERIOD HOUSE



With finely decorated walls and ceiling and beautiful mahogany staircase.

3 reception, cloakroom, 3 bathrooms, 6 bedrooms.

ALL MAIN SERVICES

Very pleasant garden.

The property is suitable for residential purposes, or for antique or tea business with excellent flat over.

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ONLY TWENTY MILES FROM LONDON
In completely rural surroundings, overlooking open country.

GENUINE GEORGIAM MANOR HOUSE with mill. 7 bedrooms (all h. & c.),
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2½ ACRES

£5,000 DEVON. ATTRACTIVE RESIDENCE. Extensive views. 3 reception, cloaks, 2 bath., 4-6 bed. (3 h. & c.). Main electric light. 'Phone. Garage for 2. Stabling. Gardens, paddocks.

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SUSSEX. 5 miles main line, 10 miles coast, on a knoll with lovely views. OLD sussex FARMHOUSE. Hall, 3 reception, billiards room, 2 bathrooms, 6/9 bedrooms. Central heating, main electricity. Garage and stabling, 2 cottages, farm buildings.

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Built in the modern Georgian style with a beautiful interior, oak flooring, concealed radiators, choice decoration.

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FASCINATING GARDEN of about 2 acres with yew hedges, hard tennis court, etc.

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Glorious rural setting yet within 12 miles of town, surrounded by the Green Belt.

SUPERIOR LUXURIOUSLY EQUIPPED MODERN RESIDENCE

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DOUBLE GARAGE.

BEAUTIFULLY TIMBERED OAK WOODLAND, crazy paved walks, etc.

IN ALL ABOUT 4 ACRES FREEHOLD £8,950

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In a perfectly secluded situation practically adjoining golf course, 10 minutes' walk station, 15 miles from Town.

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First-class order. All modern conveniences. Pine-panelled reception rooms. 9 bedrooms (all basins), 4 bathrooms, 3 reception rooms.

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Outskirts of old market town. Main London-Great Yarmouth train service. 7 miles from Aldeburgh with its sporting and cultural facilities.

A WELL-BUILT RESIDENCE
Recently completely redecorated.



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About a mile north-east of the town

ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE RESIDENTIAL FARMING ESTATES OF 540 ACRES IN THIS NOTED DISTRICT

WITH MICHAELMAS POSSESSION

A VERY DELIGHTFUL RESIDENCE

3 reception, billiard room, 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, domestic offices superbly fitted throughout with every modern convenience.

Inexpensive but attractively laid out grounds.

TWO SETS OF FIRST-RATE, WELL-PLANNED AND EQUIPPED FARM BUILDINGS with corn drying and dressing plants; workshops and MODERN PIGGERY.

Main electricity and water connected throughout.

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450 acres highly farmed arable; 70 acres rich feeding meadows with frontage to the River Stiffkey; 20 acres timbered woods and sites,

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A DELIGHTFUL MINIATURE ESTATE

Comprising modern residence in Georgian style with 4 entertaining, 6 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. 2 garages and useful outbuildings. Grounds, including 4 acres grass,

ABOUT 9 ACRES IN ALL

AND 3 COTTAGES.

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DELIGHTFULLY PLACED MODERN LABOUR-SAVING RESIDENCE

Beautifully situated, with wonderful views.

3/4 ACRE GARDEN

3 reception, 4 bedrooms, garage. All main services.

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AN ATTRACTIVE AND INTERESTING OLD-WORLD RESIDENCE Azminster 1 mi., Lynne Regis 3mls, A carefully restored country house, partly dating from the 14th century, with 3 entertaining, 8 bed, and dressing roome, 2 bathrooms, and excellent domestic offices (Aga cooker), Particularly charming grounds of ABOUT 2½ ACRES with useful outbuildings. BUNGALOW COTTAGE.

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In the Bickwell Valley.

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With 2 reception and 6 bedrooms, Garden and orchard.

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All main services.

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In the Devon and Somerset country, on the outskirts of Exford.

A VERY ATTRACTIVE BUNGALOW RESIDENCE

With 2 sitting rooms, 3 bedrooms and offices. Stabling, garages and other outbuildings. With 4 ACRES rich pasture.

Of particular interest as a small hunting box. Good services

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DIGNIFIED SMALL HOUSE OF GEORGIAN CHARACTER

In lovely country, south of the Hog's Back. Guildford 5 miles.

The house is typical of the period, square built in brick with Ionic pilasters and pediment to the main entrance.

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OVER 6 ACRES. FOR SALE FREEHOLD

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ON A SPUR OF THE CHILTERNS

In complete seclusion, 400 ft. above sea level. About 23 miles from London.

ARCHITECT-DESIGNED MODERN "CHARACTER" RESIDENCE

he house is of great charm and exceptionly well built. It is beautifully planned all n two floors and equipped in a most upto-date manner.

Contains hall with cloakroom, 4 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, dressing room, 2 bathrooms, well-equipped domestic offices.



IN ALL ABOUT 31/2 ACRES. FOR SALE FREEHOLD Inspected and recommended by Messrs, Curtis & Henson, as above.

The accommodation includes hall with cloakroom, 3 fine reception rooms 11 ft. high, 8 bedrooms (most with washbasins), 4 bathrooms and excellent domestic offices.

GARAGE AND STABLING.

Central heating. Main water and electricity.

Tennis court, orchard and paddock.

Main electric light and power.

Company's water.

COMPLETE CENTRAL HEATING.

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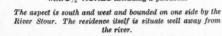
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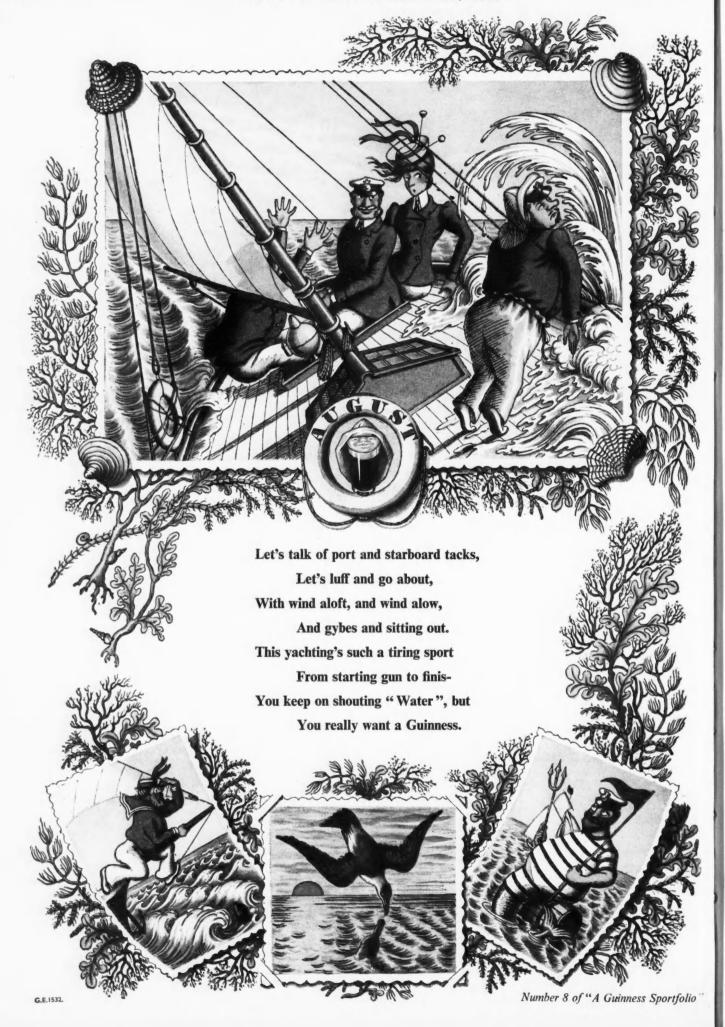
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANPOWER

HEN the Government were considering the proposals of the Local Government Boundary Commission for re-allocating functions and services to different types of local government authority, in order to make the system work more smoothly and efficiently, a Local Government Manpower Committee was appointed to approach the subject from a different angle. In its first report the Committee considered the complaints of the local authorities against "growing centralisation," and discovered various ways in which White-hall was prepared to submit to criticism and try to be a little less overbearing in its demands with a consequent lessening of tension, a cutting of red tape and a presumable increase in local government efficiency. Now it is Whitehall's turn: and the Manpower Committee is due to report on the methods of procedure and organisation for handling the various services at the local authority end. How far it will go is uncertain, but a correspondent in the *Economist* refers to a document prepared by civil servants, and "so confidential that many hundreds of copies have already been reproduced," which accuses the city and county councils of lack of delegation to committees, excessive departmentalisation, overlapping and duplication of work, lack of individuals available to give decisions when they are urgently required and, generally, most of the crimes that have been charged against bureaucrats from time immemorial.

But even if this should seem to be a case of Mr. Dilly answering Mr. Dally, it may at least prompt an enquiry as to how far Mr. Dally might benefit by taking a few hints from his friend. The *Economist's* correspondent, after viewing the matter dispassionately, comes to the heterodox opinion that local government might well adapt its procedure more closely to that of the central government. It is, to his mind, the identification of democratic responsibility with the minutely exact control of expenditure that impedes the machinery of local government and makes it wasteful and expensive. The multitudinous decisions to be made from the repair of a burst pipe to the building of a new school are controlled by the same procedure. "The members of a public authority may between them spend thousands of hours . . . lifting their hands in approval or negation, while a senior official may well attend over a hundred meetings in a year in order to explain, cajole, flatter or threaten his employers to do what, in a comparable industry, would be done on the sole decision of a personnel manager or even a works foreman." Everybody who has a general acquaintance with British local government knows these statements to be literally true, but if the equalisation grant has saved the situation for the poorer authorities, and local

government difficulties are no longer those of function or area, as we used to believe, how is the machinery by which local representatives and officials perform their duties to be mended?

It would be unfair to follow the suggestions made in the Economist in great detail; they should be read in their proper context. But it may at least be said that they contemplate the subordination of criticism of individual items to full-dress debates on the major services administered—in the same way that Parliament deals with such services at the time of the annual estimates. The Economist's correspondent sees the chairmen of local government committees answering for their respective departments at full meetings of the council and together constituting something in the nature of a cabinet, which would prevent blind competition among the various services for money and materials. The chairmen of committees would be the directors of the firm and the officers the top

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SEA SPELL

I HAVE lived always hearing the sound of the sea,
Pondering the wonder of its ways, matching its

mood
Of sombre splendour or cloud-light revelvy,

And known its wild, gull-haunted solitude.

Now I am one with the sea; no matter where Inland I wander, I hear its surge and swell, Like distant breakers ravishing still the ear, Spun from a whorled and water-whispering shell.

Margaret Elizabeth Rhodes,

technicians; the full council, "a rather more active body of shareholders than is normally found at company meetings." It may be, of course, that in some local government areas

course, that in some local government areas this Utopian state of affairs has already been established. It certainly prompts the question,

TOO MANY MONKEYS

IN Sierra Leone, it is reported, some fifteen to twenty thousand monkeys are to be destroyed because of the harm they do to cultivated crops. The reason, or one reason, for the excess of monkeys is a paucity of leopards, who eat monkeys. From the other side of Africa come suggestions that crocodiles may soon need protection, because of the vigorous measures taken against them, for there may later be too many fish-eating cormorants (normally eaten by crocodiles) if crocodiles become too few. Some years ago there were complaints from another tropical region of too many rats, the trouble being attributed to the feminine craze for snakeskin handbags, belts and shoes—for which thousands of rat-eating snakes had been killed. Though there is freshness and variety in the examples of unexpected embarrassments caused by disturbances of the balance of nature, the general pattern is now familiar. One important feature, however, is still too little recognised. Most of the disturbances are caused directly or indirectly by the excessive numbers of human beings pressing upon the products of the earth's surface. Man's greatest disturbance of balance has resulted from medical research successfully or unsuccessfully-whichever way one looks at it—applied to his own species. At the moment the problems are not recognised or studied by the mass of people, and no constructive solutions likely to win acceptance are being offered by the experts. Some might contend that the answer lies outside construction—in indiscriminate destruction by bigger bombs of all kinds or by biological warfare—but it would be better to consider how Sierra Leone's problem of too many monkeys reflects in microcosm a problem of the world at large.

FOREST RESEARCH

THE Forestry Commission's report on its research work (H.M.S.O., Is. 9d.), contains much of general interest, despite its technical and specialised character as a whole. At the National Pinetum at Bedgebury, Kent, jointly managed by the Commission and Kew, there

has been some remarkable natural regeneration among conifers, and seedlings of more than 20 different species may be seen in less than half an acre. There are now some 240 species in the collection. Experiments in controlled pollination have been conducted at both Alize Holt, Hampshire, and Bedgebury. A special feature of the report is the search, mentioned in different sections, for varieties or races of trees resistent to attack by particular insects or fungi, in short, for abnormally healthy trees. Sitl a spruce, Weymouth pine, sweet chestnut, elm ard poplar are among the genera mentioned. Certain biological control work is also of considerable interest. The Forestry Commission sent 4,000 parasitised cockchafer larve to Mauritius and 2,000 to the U.S.A. (which paid 500 dollars for them); and sawflies with a polyhedral disease were exported to Canada Various predators and parasites of bark beetles have been specially collected and imported from France and Germany—some of them to tackle a bark beetle which is believed to have come to Dorset from France.

SPEED LIMITS

THE regulations proposed by the Ministry of Transport to remove certain anomalies concerning the speed limit for utility vehicles will satisfy many owners of such cars, but the Minister's decision does not go far enough. A decision affecting this type of car should be based on performance and safety factors rather than on the type of load carried. Many utility vehicles are identical in design and lay-out to the manufacturers' saloon models, and it seems ludicrous that a saloon carrying four people and perhaps 3 cwt. of luggage should be free of restriction, while an identical car, except for the bodywork, should be restricted to 30 m.p.h. The first justification for any speed limit must surely be considerations of safety.

RIVER MANNERS

OW that the boating season is in full swing, the Thames Conservancy, who are responsible for the maintenance of the non-tidal parts of the river, find themselves faced with several serious problems. The first is a question of river manners. Complaints grow year by year of the swamping and buffeting of small craft by the wash set up by passing launches. Whether the damage is confined to the drenching of clothes, cushions and picnic baskets or includes the more serious hazards of being overturned or dashed against the bank, the victims have every right to ask for protection against such exhibitions of ignorance and ill manners. So far as ignorance is concerned, the Conservators have done well to send a useful little booklet to every registered launch-owner. Unfortunately, it is not so easy to deal with misconduct which is reckless or deliberate. Another aspect of the damage done by river-hogs is seen in the increasing erosive effect on the river banks of the wash of high-speed launches.

TOO MUCH CRICKET

WO years ago the poor overworked bowler found an advocate in a distinguished I found an advocate in a distinguished author, Mr. Edward Shanks. He said that there was too much "first class" cricket and our bowlers wore themselves out. Now he has returned again to the attack with the bold suggestion that the County Championship are suggestion that the County Championship should be abolished. This year the counties are playing yet two more matches, 28 instead of 26, and there are also, of course, matches against the M.C.C. and the Universities. Says Mr. Shanks, in effect our bowlers are bowling themselves to death and our batsmen getting used to making easy runs from exhausted bowlers, with the result that Australians and West Indians, who are by comparison club cricketers, for whom first-class cricket is a rarity, give us the saddest beatings. Much of this may be perfectly true: the spectator's heart often aches for the poor man bowling over after over, day after day, on a "shirt front" pitch. "What, Sir? A on a "shirt front" pitch. "What, Sir? A Yorker—in August?" one of them is said to have remarked to his captain's demand, unreasonable so late in the season. The difficulty is to see a way out, for it seems unlikely that the County Championship will be abolished.



I. Hardman

BRIGHOUSE FARM, ULPHA, CUMBERLAND: one of the five Duddon Valley farms recently presented to the National Trust by the Rev. H. H. Symonds, Chairman of the Friends of the Lake District

A COUNTRYMAN'S NOTES

THE report of the Colonial Development Corporation asserts that one of its undertakings, the Gambia poultry scheme, is progressing favourably, and that during the twelve months after August 1 a total of ten million eggs will be available for the Unived Kingdom. It states also that the first consignment of dressed poultry, some 34,500 lb., has already arrived in this country, and that the sample products were said to be of the highest grade. So far I have not met anyone who has drawn a Gambian egg in his or her ration, and, therefore, do not know if these also are of the highest grade, but I have yet to be convinced that a moderately long sea voyage improves the flavour of this very perishable product, concerning the freshness of which we hear so many complaints to-day.

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THERE would seem to be little prospect of any increase in the number of eggs that are produced in this country, although we are informed that the decreased extraction rate from wheat of flour for our national bread will result in an additional 275,000 tons of feeding-stuffs for animals and poultry. We were told the same story on a previous occasion when the standard of flour for the national loaf was raised, but it appeared to have little effect on the strict rationing of food-stuffs and the resulting limitation of stock. It is interesting to learn that the Government is willing to spend such large sums of money to encourage the inhabitants of the West Indies ever done to induce the British countryman to help in egg production.

Among other deterrents to the poultryceping business is that, though the price paid or eggs by the various packing stations to-day s approximately the same as it was two years ago, the cost of the layer's mash, which the covernment controls, continues to rise steadily

Major C. S. JARVIS

at the rate of 4½d. per cwt. a month. I wish the stocks and shares that I hold would show the same regular upward tendency without one move in the opposite direction. In July, 1948, the poultryman was charged 17s. 5d. for a hundredweight of this commodity; in July, 1949, the price had increased to £1 5s. 7d.; and the price to-day, according to the corn merchant's account that has just arrived, is £1 9s. 11d. So far as I remember poultry-keepers were not included when our farmers were accused of being a feather-bed fraternity, but if the price of chicken food-stuffs continues to rise they will have to kill off their laying stock to avoid bankruptcy, and feather-beds should then be available for them all.

HAVE received an indignant letter from an Irish reader who complains that a hotel in the south of his country refused to accommodate him because he was accompanied by his dog. He states that this is the first time he has known an Irish hotel adopt this anti-canine attitude, and adds that this may be due to the fact that the proprietor hails from England. I should say that he is probably right in his assumption, and that it is the Saxon influence in its old rôle of oppressor which is responsible for this edict excluding the dog companion, because a marked feature in the post-war hotel world in every part of this country has been this rule of "No Dogs Allowed" in any circumstances.

This, I may say, was the attitude before the general tightness of money became apparent, and when every hotel in the land was fully booked for the whole of the spring, summer and autumn, so that the management was able

to pick and choose. I do not think the rule is enforced to-day quite so drastically because, when I booked accommodation during June in a "No Dogs" hotel on the south-west coast and then made it clear that the booking was automatically cancelled if our small Scottie could not accompany us, it was agreed that an exception should be made in our case. It proved to be not quite such a concession as I was led to believe, since on arrival at the hotel we found that there were already two dogs staying there, which leads one to suppose that there are quite a number of people who will not take a holiday unless accompanied by their pets.

THIS is not dictated by their inability to exist for a short time without their dog companions, but solely because they know that the poor fellow will be most distressingly lost and unhappy if sent to one of the kennels that are run to accommodate the dogs of those away on their holidays. It is admitted that dogs are treated with every kindness and consideration in these establishments, but a kennel existence for a dog that has been brought up in a house, and taught to believe that he is a member of the family, is a shattering experience. There is the additional point that he has no means of knowing that his sentence of imprisonment is only for a fortnight or three weeks, and not for a lifetime.

NE of the letters I received at the beginning of the holiday season was from a doglover who asked me if I could tell him where he could obtain a copy of a pamphlet giving a list of the hotels in this country which will accept dogs. For the benefit of other readers who may be interested I will pass on the information that it is issued by the Tailwaggers' Club, of 356-360, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.1.

A WALK IN THE VALAIS

Written and Illustrated by HUGH MERRICK

ROM the Rhône Valley, running almost east and west across southern Switzerland, four roughly parallel subsidiary valleys stretch their slender fingers down into the tangled mountain masses of Valais. To reach Arolla, the small climbing centre at the head of the most westerly of the four, the Val d'Hérens, one leaves the Rhône, with its main road and its international trunk railway, at Sion.

Twin mediaeval castles, perched on rival rocks rising sheer from the valley levels, dominate the white buildings of this sunny, subalpine town. From the smooth carpet strip along the river's bank among the poplar trees a good secondary motor road climbs unobtrusively through a gap in the tall mountain wall hard by. Heading due south towards the unseen chain of the Pennine Alps, it climbs diligently but not sensationally towards the higher levels past Useigne, where there is a remarkable series of earth pyramids. These weird reddishbrown cones, shaped like miniature volcanoes, some of them supporting large stones pre-

corridor, through Satarma, leads in an easy three hours to Arolla.

The village, which takes its name from the tufty stone-pines (aroles) found on the lower slopes round about, is first and foremost a climbing centre. It consists of a small number of châlets and two large hotels dotted about a wooded spur projecting into the valley from the Aiguilles Rouges to the west. Its more immediate delights from the climber's standpoint are the splendid rock-climbs to be enjoyed on the ridges of the Aiguilles Rouges, the two Dents de Veisivi (Grand and Petit) and the Aiguilled de la Zà.

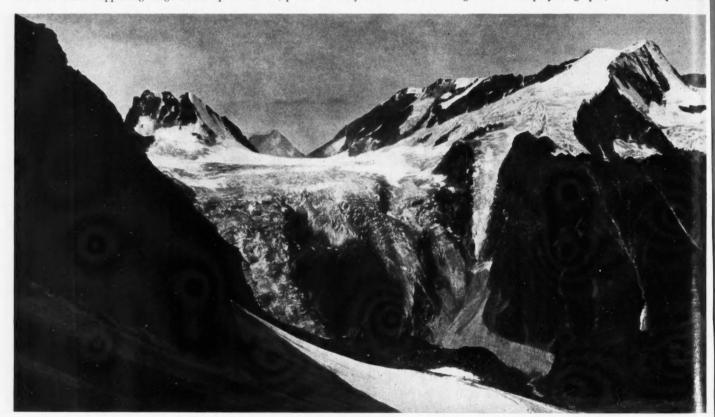
Arolla does not command a wide view. The head of the valley is filled by the dark fortress-like bulk of the Mont Collon, its flat summit crowned with a thick layer of icing. The Borgne issues from a small greyish glacier to divide the stony wilderness of débris at the mountain's feet. Much closer at hand, the beautiful snowy crest of the Pigne d'Arolla swells up like a frozen billow, poised eternally in the act of breaking.

submission to the safeguard of the rope, are still only walks—long, steep in places, and penetrating high above the snow line, but never overstepping the gaping Bergschrund that separates walking (perhaps with one's hands in one's pockets) from climbing.

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For comfort and time to stand and star it should be treated as a two-day tour, with he night spent at the Bertol Hut of the Sv iss Alpine Club, though the young, fit and energe tic could no doubt accomplish it between a start at 3 o'clock in the morning and a return in time for a not-too-late dinner the same night.

The Bertol path starts with a long grind up the base of the mountains, drawing steacily nearer to Mont Collon and gradually outflank ng the Pigne and Seilon across the bare, stony bottom of the valley, till one has almost taken them in the rear. At the Plan de Bertol, a broad terrace of flowery turf caught between the vale and the steep groove carved into the mountainwall above, one loses sight of Mont Collon behind a projecting spur, but is compensated



THE OTEMMA GLACIER, BETWEEN THE PETIT MONT COLLON AND PIGNE D'AROLLA, FROM THE COL DE BERTO

cariously balanced on their narrow tops, are caused by the action of wind and rain, which eat away the soft soil until only a cardboard-thin core of harder substance tough enough to resist further ravages is left exposed.

From Useigne the road continues to mount purposefully through the shade of woods, until an upper corridor is reached, among whose flat meadows, broad enough to be a sunny, smiling plainlet between parallel ranges rising to some ten thousand feet, nestles Evolène, the valley's chief village. There is only just room here for a postal motor to pass between the crazy eaves and balconies of the old wooden houses, clustering around the slender white church tower,

Three miles further on, at Les Haudères, huddled round its own particular tower, the road suddenly peters out against the steep foot of the mountain barrier, which splits the valley into two arms.

From here a mule track, winding steeply up at first to break into the high cleft of the upper Borgne, then pleasantly among the pines and boulders of the long, almost level

The rocky spurs of the Aiguilles Rouges sweep down to cut off the neighbouring Mont Blanc de Seilon and close the view to the west. Walkers will find it easy to extend this limited prospect by taking any of a number of paths up the valley's containing slopes and the re-entrants tucked away above.

Delightful as these things are, they must needs have the quality of an apêritif, for close behind this fine but frustrating screen of lesser peaks, ringing Arolla—and the feeling of their proximity grows stronger every day that one stays—soar the great giants of the Valais, tantalisingly hidden from sight.

Arolla's greatest prize for the mountain-walker who does not aspire to climbing is its great high level route to the Tête Blanche, a magnificent platform of snow from which almost all the great summits of the Pennine Alps are visible on terms of surprising intimacy. This is one of those great expeditions which, although they demand the company of a guide for all but those who are highly experienced in snow and ice-craft and at times exact

by the substitution, close opposite, of the Petit Mont Collon, which here perpetrates confusing and amusing skit on its bigger brothe and the dramatic cataclysm of the Otemm Glacier's long, level floor pouring sudden over the precipitous edge into the trough below

The ascent continues for a while along the stony moraine of the small Glacier de Bertowhich billows smoothly down from the walk above, until it is necessary to take to the nét itself for the remainder of the ascent. Presently as one goes up the ribbed snow apron, on catches sight of the roof of the hut projecting from the smaller of two rock belfries which ris from the snow saddle ahead—the Petit Cloched Bertol—and the objective is in sight for the rest of a steepish hour.

As I have said, this is an easy glacier walk but on the easiest of glaciers one should either know what one is doing or else go in the company of someone who does. There is an obvious stone-shoot which sends down the débris from this weathered little tower on to the nêvê below. Sitting directly in its dirty path between the



NT BLANC DE SEILON AND MONT PLEUREUR SEEN ACROSS THE DOUVES BLANCHES FROM THE COL DE BERTOL

el and a large edge-crevasse, we came upon a solitary tourist without a care in the world, charfully munching sandwiches. Pierre, our guile, gave a helpless shrug of disgust and, leaning for a moment on his axe—on this office—bawled over to him in a pleasant enough pass-the-time-of-day tone: "Hé là, M'sieu! Vous cherchez sans doute la mort dans une boîte à

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The Cabane de Neuchâtel or Bertol Hut of the Swiss Alpine Club, standing at 11,155 feet, is one of the highest and finest in the Alps. Not only does it command a magnificent view, but it is a solid, comfortable two-storey affair with ample accommodation for about eighty people. Here the glacier-walker need have no qualms about crowding out the genuine climber over-

From the base of the rock tower to the platform on which the hut is perched is about a hundred feet. This is disposed of by the intelligent use of a convenient chimney in the rock, at the side of which a banister in the form of a fixed rope has been thoughtfully provided, thus converting it into a very steep staircase of All the material for construction of the hut had to come up this way, of course.

The platform surrounding the hut on three sides—the rocks of the " give it snug shelter on the fourth -is roomy and beautifully poised above the tremendous swell of the Mont Miné snows. Dominating them to the east, the huge snow-streaked wedge of the Dent Blanche tilts into the sky, a fearsome picture of crooked steepness, its long serrated Schönbuhl ridge sweeping down towards the Col d'Hérens. Away to the south two slender spires, one black, one white, just manage to lift their extreme points over the glacier's rim—the dark triangle of the Matterhorn's final peak and the icy summit-shield of the Dent d'Hérens. The top-most bulge of dazzling snow over which they thrust is one's own objective—the Tête Blanche. Close at hand, the Bouquetins, a dark and shattered mass, obstruct the view to the south. Westwards all the less advertised ranges and peaks of western Valais stand tumbled to the sky. nally, to close the view on this side ere is the extraordinary sweep of the louves Blanches, plunging into the mote depths of the Arolla Valleya flying buttress of beige-coloured rock, which the magic of the setting sun can alchemise to molten gold.

Indeed, to stand on the terrace of the Bertol at sunset and during the magic hour of after-glow, which contrives the falling of the shadows over the unseen world below, is ample compensation for the heat and fatigue of having overcome six thousand feet of mountainside in order to be present at so rich a feast of colour, light and shade.

The continuation next morning to the Tête Blanche is, by contrast with so much steep toiling, a mere stroll. Two hours of steady walking across the firm, gently rising névé in the waking across the firm, gently rising were in the cool of the morning should plant one fit and fresh on the highest swell of the glacier's upturned rim. If, as we did, one has started down the chimney to the glacier from the hut in the grey twilight and had before one's eyes for the first hour the stupendous spectacle of the Deat Blancha learning deals against a blood red Dent Blanche, looming dark against a blood-red dawn, until its eastern rim seemed positively to catch fire and burn itself swiftly into a fantastic golden fringe in the full heatless blaze of the morning sun, the two hours will not have seemed

will no doubt have been further shortened by the double thrill peculiar to the last five hundred feet of ascent to the glacier's aptly-named White Head. For as one trudges up, with the curve of the broad snow dome always interposed between you and them, the Matterhorn and its lesser, slightly more distant neighbour, the Dent d'Hérens, drive more and more of their dissimilar wedges into the sky close ahead-the one a sharp, dark, wicked looking spike, the other a beautifully rounded blade shining under a panoply of glittering ice. So much of both, however, remains most tantalisingly concealed till the last moment that the walker is consumed with impatience to see the full revelation that must await him when he reaches the crest.

It is the Matterhorn which dominates everything when he gets there. Only three miles away, across the unseen trough of the Stockje Glacier, it lifts the tremendous four thousand feet of its northern precipice vertically overhead with the morning behind it, throwing its pyramidal bulk, on which not a fleck of sunlight falls before the middle of the day, into sombre awe-inspiring relief. That terrific wedge is too aloof to accept a glint of the morning sun, its



THE DENT BLANCHE FROM THE BERTOL HUT



THE NORTH FACE OF THE MATTERHORN FROM THE TÊTE BLANCHE

slabs too steep to hold even a powdering of snow. Beyond the slender Col du Lion, which links the Matterhorn to the long ridge culminating in the lovely sunlit contrast of the ice-clad Dent d'Hérens, shine the piled up snows of the Breithorn, the Lyskamm, Castor and Pollux and Monte Rosa, set back a few miles beyond the broad gap of the Théodule Pass.

To the west of the Dent d'Hérens the ridges go dipping towards hazy Italian valleys. Beyond the wide gap thus formed the ranges lie dreaming away to the west, from the Gran Paradiso and Grivola to the distant dome of Mont Blanc. On a morning of exceptional clarity we once looked out over and beyond those southern ranges to the long snowy fillet of the Maritime Alps, stretched low across the sky, more than a hundred miles away. So sharp were their tiny white teeth in the morning light that my camera recorded them quite distinctly against the distant horizon haze.

But it is in the other direction—to the east of the Matterhorn—that the Tête Blanche

affords its inimitable dress-circle view of a dozen of the greatest peaks in the Alps, piled up in profusion and magnificence, like the arrested breakers of some frozen ocean. For there, deployed in échelon and raking the sky at no great distance from the observer, framed between the clean downward sweep of the Matterhorn's Zmutt ridge and the gigantic serrated edge of the towering Dent Blanche, stand the Weisshorn, Rothorn, Gabelhorn, Wellenkuppe, the Dom and Taeschhorn, the Allalinhorn, Strahlhorn and Rimpfischhorn.

Nearer at hand than any except the Matterhorn and Dent d'Hérens, the Dent Blanche is in itself a magnificent spectacle, with its long Schönbuhl ridge sweeping away up to the fearsome profile of the north-west buttress, scene of a famous climbing disaster. The dark and crinkled Grand Cornier beyond, although in itself a sizeable mass, has no chance in such dominating company.

With its descending ridge the prospect opens out over a great sweep of empty lower world, beyond whose haze there lies a hint of the Oberland, with the distant cone of the Bietschhorn perhaps the only peg to hang one's mind on. And so the eye is drawn back by way of the grey summits of the long Veisivi ridge to our own Col de Bertol, nestling down there at the foot of the long snow slopes by which one has come to this marvellous vantage-point. mo

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A comfortable hour and a half, tempered only by the regret of having to turn one's back on so much splendour, will bring one to the hut again in time for a welcome second breakfast, before the long swoop down to the shade of the Arolla pines. Or if Arolla has exhausted its interest and one is finally bound for a stay at the heart of the greater mountains to the east, the rest of a long, glorious day will bring one from the Tête Blanche—gently down at first to the Col d'Hérens close by, then steeply to the Schönbuhl Hut, and so by way of the Zmutt Glacier and some miles of sun-baked downhill path—to Zermatt, that most historic of mountain centres, deep in its neighbouring valley.



THE BOUQUETINS AND THE COL DU MONT BRÛLÉ FROM THE TÊTE BLANCHE. The shadow on the glacier in the foreground is thrown by the Matterhorn

GROUSE-SHOOTING PROSPECTS

By MACDONALD HASTINGS

T is often argued that nobody really knows how the grouse have fared until the guns get among them on the Twelfth. Indeed, it is only too true that he would be an unwise shooter who ordered his cartridges for the season on the strength of the preliminary reports from the moors. But there is no mystery why that she ild be so. For two very good reasons the pre pects for the grouse season are almost entrely assessed on guesswork.

The first and most formidable reason is the

The first and most formidable reason is the ten berament of the average moorland keeper, who even at the point of the gun, can be relied to withhold everything that he knows. Ar nort from a friend of mine with a small moor in I neashire is characteristic of what any moorland keeper is likely to tell you. When he asked his han for an opinion of the prospects this sear in, there was a weighty pause while pipes wer primed and dogs called to heel, and then the deeper replied: "It might be better than

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It is never safe to assume that the birds crowding a moor in July will oblige over the butts in middle August. For that reason alone the non-committal attitude of the Upland keeper is justified. Grouse are essentially vagrant in habit.

After all those qualifications, it might seem that, like the keepers, I, too, am reluctant to make a definite forecast for the season: I am certainly reluctant, on second-hand information, to do more than report what I have heard of the prospects from specific areas. But, taking the heatherland as a whole, I am satisfied that there are probably more grouse this year than at any time since the peak seasons at the start of the war. The birds have not yet recovered to that prosperous state they were in round about 1940 (when, I remember, a party of Norfolk farmers rented a moor in Yorkshire, paid all their

—in Aberdeenshire particularly—which were seriously affected. In consequence, quite a few coveys of squeakers, obviously second broods, have been sighted.

The most optimistic forecasts I have had come from Angus, Banffshire, Vorkshire, Cumberland, and, surprisingly, Sutherland. The Sutherland moors have never produced the great bags made farther south, although several of them were driven before the war. Latterly, it has hardly been worth while to take out a dog. Reports that birds are moving in again are significant. Coveys in twelves and nines are reported, as well as lots of second-brood birds.

In Inverness-shire, prospects on Speyside are said to be quite good. In Angus, great moors like Hunt Hill, Millden, Gannochy are said to be getting back to normal. On the lower-lying ground, the King should have good sport at Ballater.

One of the most detailed reports I have had



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it was last year, and it might be worse. Depends how the grouse move."

Keepers being what they are, the second good reason why grouse-shooting forecasts are so uncertain is because the moors are what they are. There are few prospects more calculated to encourage short cuts, and snap decisions, than a wilderness of knee-deep bog and knee-high heather, muscle-aching hillsides and anklespraining descents. It is my experience that high-hearted forays into the hills to see how the grouse are doing usually degenerate into a sitdown, and a cigarette, in the car while the dogs are turned out to range round the verges of the moorland roads. If a few barren pairs get up, everybody agrees that the moor has gone to pot. But, if a covey or two is seen dusting in the road, the landlord returns thankfully to tea and decides to double the shooting rent.

But, apart from human considerations, it is, alas, a fact that grouse can never be relied upon to stay put. I remember a few years ago reading a witty book called *The Glorious Twelfth*, in which the soul of a calloused old shooting colonel was transmigrated into a grouse. As a grouse, he organised his fellow birds so that they were all ays on a different beat from the guns. That it is of affairs is so common in actual shooting

expenses out of the birds they shot and pocketed a handsome profit as well) but the improvement which has been noticeable in the past two seas-

ons has been kept up.

The pessimists who, round about 1942, were saying, as they said in 1873 and again in 1913, that the red grouse was in danger of becoming extinct have been proved wrong. It seems more likely that the theory that the grouse population, like the run of salmon, moves in cycles of about seven years is the correct one. And at the moment there is every indication that the surge is upward.

Comments on the prospects which have reached me from moors all the way from the Midlands to North Britain describe the outlook as "good"; the most cautious estimate from a high moor in Aberdeenshire, is "patchy." And I have heard of only one laird, who customarily lets his shooting, who has decided to keep it in hand because he is dissatisfied with his stock of birds.

The most serious setback during the breeding-season was the snowstorm in May, which extended as far south as London. At the time it was thought that many clutches of eggs would be frosted. In fact, it appears from the reports that it was only the birds in the higher elevations

comes from Captain R. N. Burton in Cumberland. In Weardale, he says, the birds are strong and well forward. Broods number seven, eight and nine. In parts of Lancashire, he adds, he has heard that broods are smaller, but there is no evidence of that sort in Weardale.

Captain Burton also sent me details of the Weardale bag in recent years. It is an illuminating record. The peak year was 1936, in which 5,020 head of grouse were shot. The bag averaged rather more than a thousand brace for the next six seasons. After that, the total head of grouse shot dropped from 3,244 in 1942 to an all-time low of 348 in 1945. Since 1946 the shooting has steadily improved. Last year the bag was 1,769. This year, says Captain Burton, "we could reasonably expect to kill well over a thousand brace without unduly depleting stock."

It strikes me that the figures Captain Burton gives, admittedly from a favoured and temperate area, might well sum up the general position at the start of the present season. After the good cycle of years up to 1941, and in many areas, including 1942, the grouse went right back. They have been recovering for the past two seasons. This year, the average bag might be in the neighbourhood of 50 per cent. to 60 per cent, of the good pre-war seasons.

NO SURRENDER! - By GUY PRIEST

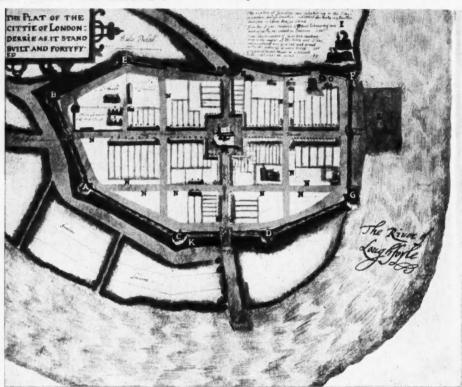
POURTEEN centuries ago, upon a wooded hill on the Island of Diore—the place of Oaks—Saint Columba built a monastery, and afterwards sailed with twelve companions to found his still more famous establishment on Iona, from which he evangelised Scotland and the north of England. But his thoughts were ever returning to the city on the hill, as is testified in his writings, in the following free translation from the Gaelic:—

Were the tribute of all Alba mine, From the centre to the border, I would prefer the site of one house In the middle of fair Derry. My Derry, my little oak grove, My dwelling and my little cell. O eternal God in heaven above, Woe be to him who violates it.

Ten centuries later, following a report made to King James I by Sir Thomas Phillips on the desirability of a plantation of English settlers in Ulster, the City of Derry was adopted by the City of London, the capital assuming through its Guilds of Merchants responsibility for rebuilding and fortifying Saint Columba's ancient seat.

In 1613 the city was incorporated by Royal Charter and the prefix London added to its name. Thus was Londonderry created, and the encircling walls built then remain to this day as a symbol and a manifesto of the citizens' integrity and courage, epitomised in the watchword which has echoed down the centuries: No Surrender!

To English eyes the annual exposition of this determination linked historically with an





"THE DRUMS AND THE BANNERS AND THE SASHES ARE BROUGHT OUT AND THE APPRENTICE BOYS' CLUBS MARCH THROUGH THE STREETS AND AROUND THE WALLS OF THEIR ANCIENT CITY"

17th-CENTURY PLAN OF LONDONDERRY. A, King James's Bulwark; B, Prince Charles's Bulwark; C, The Lord Deputy's Bulwark; D, London Bulwark; E, Lord Docwra's Bulwark; F, Lord Chichester's Bulwark; G, The Governor of the Plantation's Bulwark; H, The Mayor's Bulwark; I, The Lyme Kilns; K, The Ditch within the Wall; L, "A place where the new keep was fit to be built"; M, "The form of a citadel fitting to have been built in the market-place"; N, "Ranges left where houses may be built in time to come"; O, "The Old Castle wherein the King's store is kept." Reproduced by permission of H.M. Stationery Office

incident almost forgotten "across the water"—in Britain—may appear strange. But in fact to loyal Ulstermen it is as important as Magna Carta, with this essential difference, that it is continually renewed and proclaimed, and remains as potent to-day as when it was first pronounced by thirteen apprentice boys nearly three centuries ago.

And so on August 12 each year, the drums and the banners and the sashes are brought out, and to the skirl of pipes, the Apprentice Boys' Clubs march through the stree's and around the walls of their ancient city and once more advertise to the world their belief in the creed of the forefathers and their unshakable loyalty to the King. With the passing of the centuries the deep religious (and to-day political) significance of the celebrations has not diminished, but rather indeed become a flame of remembrance that is continually rekindled.

Historically the events commemorated in the annual procession have been widely publicised. O December 7, 1688, when King James II's troops under the Earl of Antrim came to garrison Londonderry thirteen apprentice boys closed the city gates against the advance party, and the citizens subsequently declare for William, Prince of Orange. On April 18 in the following year King James appeared in person before the city at the head of an army said to number 20,000 men. It was hoped that his presence and the overwhelming force with which he was attended would per suade the citizens of Derry to surrender. This opinion was also shared by the notorious Colonel Lundy, who commanded the garrison.

But while James was negotiating for a peaceful settlement of their differences a cannon ball, fired either accidentally or with set purpose, came dangerously near to cutting short his career, and killed an officer standing beside him. Apologies followed, but that night Colone Lundy, finding himself suspected of traitorous intentated in the disguise of a common soldier carrying abundle of firewood on his back; an event which is commemorated each year by the burning of Lundy's effigy,

complete with bundle of sticks, on the city wall above the Magazine Gate (until recently it was the custom of the citizens living immediately below the wall at this point—who are for the most part of the opposite political persuasion—to stoke up their hearths with refuse in an attempt, if the wind set fair, to smoke out the Orangemen pursuing their celebrations above!).

Near-by there now stands a tall stone column, with at its head a figure pointing seawards. This is the Walker Memorial, a landmark for many miles around, erected to the memory of the Rev. George Walker, who in company with Colonel Henry Baker, assumed the governorship of the city when a state of siege was declared, following the ignoble Lundy's flight.

This marked the beginning of a pe iod of privation and distress for the de enders lasting 105 days, during which it is reputed that 7,000 soldiers and civilians died as a result of enemy ac ion, pestilence, and starvation. The ga rison was reduced to eating cats, do s, rats, tallow, and horsehide in order to maintain life—the human sk leton in the city's coat-of-arms is a gr n reminder of those terrible days, though it dates from the 14th century.

And then, when hope of being releved had almost been abandoned by the defenders, ships were sighted in Lugh Foyle, and on July 28, 1689, the huge boom erected across the river by the besieging army was forced by H.M.S. Mountjoy and H.M.S. Swallow, and help and supplies at last reached the beleaguered citizens. Four days later the forces of King James abandoned their efforts to reduce the city and retired southwards. Thus Londonderry earned the title the Maiden City, which she proudly bears to this day.

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PIPERS MARCHING UP FERRY QUAY STREET, WHICH WAS THE ROUTE FOLLOWED BY KING JAMES'S ARMY IN 1688.

These facts of 1689 are the background to columns of dour, unsmiling, ribbon-bedecked marching men of 1950, forming an irreconcilable barrier across which Irishmen face each other to-day. This cleavage of religious and political persuasion is deep-rooted and inherent in the life of the city, indeed throughout the whole of the Six Counties which make up Northern Ireland. And to an onlooker who endeavours to sympathise with both convictions it is difficult to see how they can ever be resolved.

But to the August visitor this is holiday time, the sun is shining, the trees are green and cool in Shipquay Street, and the skirl of the pipes as they accompany the tartans through the crowds is a sound that lifts the heart above temporal antitheses. So let us, with the other 20,000 or so visitors from Scotland and England and all over the North of Ireland, enjoy the procession, take our leisure round the ancient city walls and admire the view of mountain and lough beyond. Let us examine the historic cannon, relics of the siege and gifts of the various London Companies, that still grace the ramparts; and visit the imposing Guildhall and Saint Columba's cathedral, built by the citizens of London through the auspices of the Honourable the Irish Society.

And then as the columns of marching men with flute and pipe and drum, and their colourful banners and sashes move away and disperse, let us climb the spiral steps to the head of the Walker Memorial, and looking down on the city, with its docks and factories and naval base and its dwellings in the fair valley of the Foyle, let us remember that tolerance is a balm for many an imagined wrong and "A good word never broke a tooth!"





A GUN ON THE CITY WALL. (Right) THE WALKER MONUMENT



1.—THE SOUTH FRONT, FROM THE GARDEN

BUXTED PARK, SUSSEX-II

Reconstructed, in reduced form, after being burnt in 1940, Buxted now brings together in its rooms, besides outstanding collections of works of art, notable fittings and features from a number of historic houses now destroyed



2.—THE DINING-ROOM CHIMNEY-PIECE. Formerly at Clumber

HE view in which the decapitated house looks best, so that one is scarcely conscious of the original upper storey's and roof's disappearance, is that from the south (Fig. 1). The colonnade across the centre, raised as it is on flat arches, gives exactly the horizontal emphasis required by the reduced height of the front and level skyline. As the most part of the garden lies in this direction, it is the aspect from which the house is most often seen in elevation and thus the one that most matters. Another factor in its satisfactory proportions is the width, five bays, of its slightly projecting centre, whereas on the north and east, the centre is of three bays only. As originally built, the centre of this front was recessed. according to a drawing of 1798 which also records that a forecourt lay before it flanked by two stable blocks The eastern of these was pulled down soon afterward and the other is hidden behind the conservatory see on the left of the illustration. The centre was fille in about 1810 to provide additional bedrooms above and the long sunny library (Fig. 4), which was suc a pleasant room before Buxted was burnt. In the year Miss Julia Shuckborough-Evelyn, last representative of the Medleys who had built Buxted nearly century before, married Charles Jenkinson, later 3r Earl of Liverpool.

The library used to have a colonnade of vello scagliola Ionic pillars some six feet from its inner sid—perhaps introduced to mask its rather awkwar width—and was decorated in the restrained manne of Henry Holland. Its general character and disposition have been reconstructed, with the omission of the colonnade except for a column and pilaster at each end marking its position and serving the same visua purpose. Also it no longer claims to be the book-room its literary functions having been transferred elsewhere, and has become the saloon, the social uses o which always predominated in it. Happily most of the furnishings seen in the old view (Fig. 4) are to be met with, if not in Figs. 3 or 5, elsewhere in the house Among the survivors are the old English carpets, those in Fig. 3 having always been in this room since 1810, while that in Fig. 5, of brighter colours, is of much the same date, though not indigenous. In many respects the room is more interesting than before. Its "date" has been put back half a continue of has been put back half a century, with



3.—THE SALOON AS RECONSTRUCTED, FORMERLY THE LIBRARY. (Right) 4.—THE SAME ROOM, THEN THE LIBRARY, BEFORE THE FIRE

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doorways and magnificent mahogany doors (e.g. Fig. 12) from Lord Rosebery's house, 38, Berkeley Square, which was designed by Adam in 1769 for Robert Child. The Adam plaques over the end doors (Fig. 5) come from a house in Adelphi Terrace; the two chimney-pieces, with rose breche columns and inlaid frieze, from the drawing-room of Kingston House, Knightsbridge. The fireplaces contain exquisite silver basket grates of Adam style, very uncommon of that period. The early 19th-century chandlier was formerly in Derby House, Stratford Place. The window architraves, presumably designed by Isaac Ware, came from Chesterfield House, and, having been fitted to contain the curtains, can be seen, as has not often been the case since the Victorian addiction to more voluminous curtains. The disappearance of the book-shelves enables the wall space to be given to Mr. and Mrs. Ionides' collection of conversation-pieces, including several fine Zoffanys, a selection of which were illustrated in the Country Life Annual for 1949. The doorway to the right of the fireplace in Fig. 5 is a dummy and has been ingeniously fitted with old Chinese lacquer shelving to display a collection of objects in carved ivory (Fig. 10).

The dining-room (Fig. 7), which originally lay west of the hall in the position occupied by the present library, now adjoins the saloon to the west. It is L-shape in plan, with three tall windows opening on to the terrace, and the extension to the side of them. The colouring might be described as a dull cyclamen pink, with a deeper shade in the frieze of classical figures (which is reproduced from one at Gothic House, Richmond). The room, in which there is another old English carpet, is largely dominated by the admirable chimney-piece which, with its exceptionally good contemporary grate and fender of etched steel, came from Clumber.

Clumber, in Nottinghamshire, was built by Thomas Pelham, Duke of Newcastle (under Lyme) c. 1765, by Stephen Wright. The great house, now pulled down, was the last addition to the group of mansions in Sherwood Forest known as The Dukeries, and somewhat resembled Holkham in character. It was also one of the last big houses to be built in the classic Whig tradition, and





5.—THE SOUTH END OF THE SALOON



6.—THE DRAWING-ROOM



7.—THE DINING-ROOM



8.—THE LIBRARY





9.—IN THE LIBRARY. A dummy door fitted for the display of objects. (Right) 10.—IN THE SALOON. A similar fitting for ivories

its architect one of the survivors of the Burlington group into the age of Paine and Adam. Wright, who rose to be Deputy Surveyor of the Board of Works in 1770, is best known for the Senate House at Cambridge University, of which the Duke was Chancellor, though the existing building is

only a portion of his full scheme. He probably designed Nuthall Temple in Nottinghamshire, the fourth of the domed Palladian villas in England and also now pulled down, portions of which Lord Templewood has incorporated in his house in Norfolk. Everything that Wright designed shows him to

have been a discriminating and scholarly artist, as is evident from the unusually fine carving of this chimney-piece, which was in the main drawing-room at Clumber. To the left of it hangs, appropriately, a landscape conversation-piece by Arthur Devis of the 9th Earl of Lincoln and family in Clumber

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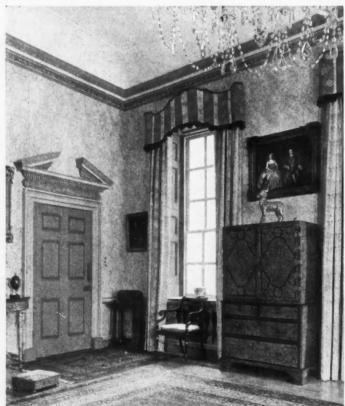
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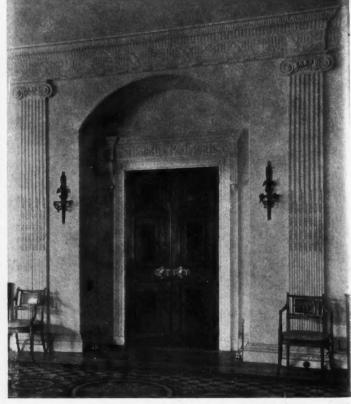
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11.—A CORNER OF THE DRAWING-ROOM. A bureau-cabinet by Coxhead and Wooster. (Right) 12.—IN THE SALÖON. The central doorway from 38, Berkeley Square

Park. The two children above it are by Michael Dahl. The library (Fig. 8), on the north front, opens to the west out of the hall, and is essentially a comfortable sitting-room. The colouring is a light blue, olive green and brown. In both this room and the drawingroom a paper reprinted from a Georgian pattern has been used, the very narrow pattern of which (seen in Fig. 9) consists in a small irregular festoon of pale flowers winding downwards through repeating cloud-like strata alternately of the blue and green colour. effect is at once strong and soft—the pattern almost imperceptible, but in its repetition sufficient to produce a marked texture, while the three tones give the colourin soft depth. In rooms so full as both these, an insis ent pattern would be intolerable, and a flat colour me ely conventional. The result, while curiously differen from the accepted idea of a Georgian room, is de ghtfully restful, and authentic of the period. Both he and in the drawing-room the woodwork, from Felix He l, Essex, has its pale original gilding, and much of its original colouring, which was olive green, pink and Here the pink has been over-painted pale blue, e in the drawing-room the green has been changed to bink. The white marble chimney-piece, also from x Hall, centres in a vigorous ram's head. It rebles very closely one at Blair Castle, Perthshire, do imented as supplied by Carter. The overmantel, fra ning an oval flower-piece and surmounted by a fer ale mask among festoons beneath a broken pediment, originally in the State dressing-room at Stowe. It been considerably reduced to fit into its position, ha ing originally been supported by an ornamented enta lature with urns at the sides. It is rarely possible to att ibute anything at Stowe to a particular designer, but the overmantel probably dates c. 1735. The door to the right of the fireplace is another of those that open into a cupboard fitted for the display of objects (Fig. 9) n this case china, and small books—the main cases for which are recessed in the end walls.

Across the hall, the drawing-room fills the northeast corner of the ground floor, with windows in two of its sides (Fig. 6). The pattern of the wallpaper is the same as in the library, but here the colouring is a soft yellow and apricot, with curtains predominantly salmon. The reddish breche and white marble chimneypiece is a fellow to another one made by Thomas Carter, from Adam's design, at Saltram, Devon; though the plaque is different, the other decorations are identical. With the woodwork, it came likewise from Felix Hall. The outstanding feature of the furnishing is a group consisting of two cabinets of a bureau (see Fig. 11) by those remarkable early Georgian cabinet-makers, Coxhead and Wooster, who affixed their names on a printed paper somewhere in almost every piece they made. Their work is rendered equally unmistakable by their use of burred veneers, particularly mulberry, with ebony and pewter bandings, which they handled with admirable craftsmanship to produce a very rich effect. The ruddy browns of these pieces concentrate the lighter warmth of the walls—on which hang several conver-sation-pieces by Hayman and others of the earlier painters in this genre.

There are two other important rooms on the ground floor, and the China room on the first floor, which will form the subject of an article next week. There are five bedrooms on the first floor, of generous height despite the flat roof that now covers it. Fig. 13 is typical of the visitors' bedrooms, with its pretty late 18th-century four-poster bed and an Aubusson carpet with crimson ground, evidently made for a music room, since instruments are introduced into the design. At the east end Mr. and Mrs. Ionides have their bedrooms, of which the former is illustrated in Fig. 15 for the clever use made of draped pale blue and white striped moirée against white walls. One of the adjoining bathrooms is represented in Fig. 14, the marked Georgian character of which is notably different from the clinical character usually thought appropriate to bathrooms.

As pointed out in the first article, the slow reconstruction of Buxted during the war, prolonged by continual interruptions and by the war-time activities of the owners, was achieved by the almost exclusive use of existing a second-hand materials. It is that, as much as its interest and beauty, which makes the result so remarkable.

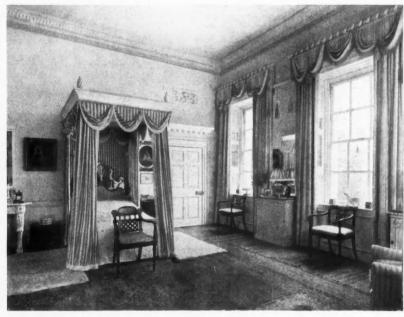
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13.—ONE OF THE RECONSTRUCTED BEDROOMS



14.—A WHITE BATHROOM



15.—PALE BLUE AND WHITE STRIPED MOIREE IN A WHITE BEDROOM

SUMMER HANDLINGS ON A SHEEP FARM

Written and Illustrated by RICHARD PERRY



SHEEP-PEN IN THE WESTERN CAIRNGORMS

ITH the warm rains of July and August the dreaded maggot-flies, curse of every sheep farmer, swarm forth from the shelter of bracken and bramble and birchwood to fulfil their evil mission in life. On those days when the sultry heat is almost unbearable the sight of the lower-feeding hill sheep cantering down out of the forest to the stony beaches of lakes or making their way up to exposed knolls, where there is a little breeze, is a sure sign that the flies are swarming to such an extent as to make life unbearable for the sheep,

Any time from May to September, depending to some extent on the season's weather, the flies—mainly green-bottles, with some blue-bottles among them—lay their eggs in the dirtier parts of the sheep's wool, to which they appear to be attracted by smell. The eggs hatch in twenty-four hours, and the maggots begin to gnaw down into the sheep's flesh, usually of the rump, neck or throat, and are full grown in a further forty-eight hours. If the struck sheep is not detected within two days of the "strike," the maggots will have burrowed down into its vitals. Maddened by the gnawing pain, and weakened by the poison injected into its system, the animal lies up in the bracken or wanders down to the seashore. There, on badly shepherded farms, I have found sheep being eaten alive, tottering in crazy circles, round and round and round, until only the outer husk of life is left, and they stagger for the last time down on to their knees and over on to their sides, released from pain-for the grey crows and black-backed gulls to feast upon. The hours I have spent cleaning the badly struck have been deeply satisfying in the sense of one's having done something basically worth while. Until a year or two ago there was virtually no preventive against the fly, other than constant shepherding, and few hill farms could command sufficient labour for such intensive handling of hundreds or thousands of sheep, ranging over

thousands of acres of moor and hill. Bathing the sheep with an arsenical dip did not render them immune from the fly for more than ten days or three weeks, after which they might be struck again and the dreadful process repeated. Recently, however, the introduction of D.D.T. dips has proved most successful, and one may hope that this terrible scourge is now under control.

Besides dipping the ewes against the fly, one has also in August to dip the lambs twice within a period of ten days, to ensure that they are free from any contagious skin diseases when they are despatched to the sales in September.

This means another gathering off the hills down to the handling pens. No matter what part of Britain I am in, I can never resist the temptation to stroll over and inspect any sheep-folds I may come across, so vividly are they associated with my shepherding days, and also because at their best I find them fascinating places full of memories. So let me take you to the first sheep-fold I ever saw, away in the Hebrides, laid out on a square of greensward between the heather banks of the moors and a little cove of pale sand at the edge of the sea, very peaceful in the evening sunshine

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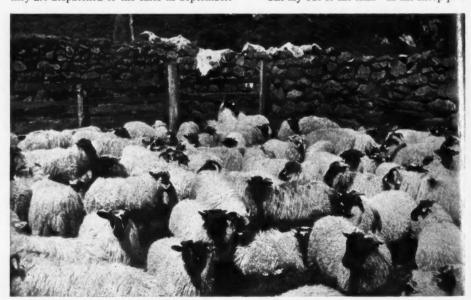
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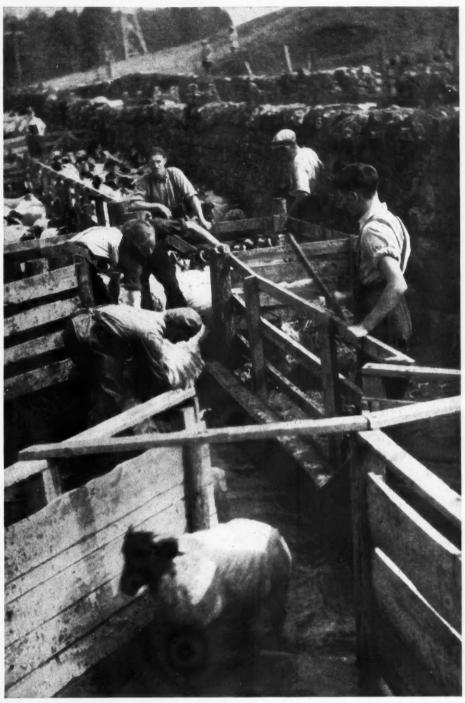
The lay-out of the fank—as the sheep-pens



LAMBS IN A PEN ON THE ISLE OF SKYE

are known in Scotland-varies little from hill to hill, or island to island. At one end will be the large main pen, with its seven-foot turf-topped stone-dykes. This pen will hold the twenty-five or thirty-five score sheep brought in from the morning's gathering off the hill. From the middle of the pen's inner dyke a slat fence projects obliquely across the pen towards one of the side walls, without, however, quite meeting it, so that space is left for sixty or seventy sheep to be driven from the main pen into the triangular pen thus formed. From this pen another gate leads into a cobbled runway, six feet wide, which is flanked on either side by four smaller pens, holding a hundred sheep apiece at a squeeze. For half the length of this runway a length of boarding three feet high, known as the shedder, runs parallel to one wall and just far enough from it to permit the parage of a file of hesitant sheep, pushed along by the pressure of their fellows behind and cious prods from a crook above. At the far of the shedder an ingenious arrangement of e little wicket-gates, swinging freely on their es, enables the shepherd working them to the sheep coming through the shedder into the side pens, according to their various classes of or barren ewes, ewes with lambs, hoggs, s, and stragglers from other hills. Then, ran's. the far end of the runway another gate s access to a small pen from which the she p can be drawn out to the clippers at she ring time; or, through a side gate to the dip ing pen (there are nineteen gates in all) from which the sheep are dropped into the long dipping trough, at the far end of which, again, are twin drying pens, holding thirty or forty sheep apiece. From them two more gates open

Dipping is always the most unpleasant work that falls to the lot of the shepherd, but even so there are dippings and dippings, and I never experienced anything comparable in unpleasantness to one of these lamb-dippings in the Outer Hebrides. Although it was August, the usual gale with squalls of rain was blowing in from the Atlantic and it was cold enough for January. The dipper was in a very old fank, situated in a waste of storm-lashed moors on a height above the sea. No habitation was visible from this ruinous fank, though hidden in the folds of the moors were ancient black-houses, whose undressed stone and mossy rounded thatch were as natural growths of this wild country as the rocky burns and huge boulders which studded the moor. And as for the dipper! Instead of the swim-trough's being sunk in the ground in the modern fashion, it proved to be a raised tank big enough to hold only one sheep at a time, so that we had to lift every sheep almost to the height of our armpits before dropping it into the tank. Thus we were wading about all day in a foot's depth of slime and muck, and immersed in a flood of dip splashed over by the floundering sheep, while the lambs danced up and down on our





A BLACK-FACE MOUNTAIN LAMB

DIPPING BLACK-FACE HILL SHEEP

boots with their sharp hoofs. Despite the heavy nature of the work, we were shivering with cold most of the day, though muffled up in oilskins and thigh-boots, with sheepskins as aprons to keep out the worst of the dip. By the end of the day I had lost all feeling in my finger-tips, for each of the six hundred sheep we dipped I drew myself from the dipping

Then, in the evening, when we weaned the lambs from their mothers and turned the mothers back to the hill, a dense sea-mist set in. Hour after hour we drove the lambs slowly over the moors, and long before we reached that other fank, where the lambs were to be folded for the night before being shipped across the sea to the mainland sales, dank dusk had shrouded the moors. When at last the lambs had been safely penned, we stumbled down to the shore in black darkness, and loaded ourselves into a little out-board motor-boat—three men, two women, three dogs and one sick lamb. At midnight we supped on roast curlew. Yes, that is the life, if one wants a change from the normal farming round.

PERIWINKLES ON THE ROCKS

Written and Illustrated by PHILIP STREET

THE common periwinkle and its three related species, the small, rough and flat periwinkles, together constitute one of the best examples of zoning on the seashore, each by virtue of its structure being best adapted to a particular part of the shore. The behaviour of each is so arranged as to cause it to remain within its optimum area, and to move back to it if it is displaced.

on the seashore is perhaps more arduous than in any other habitat because of the extreme range of conditions. The main factors which decide on what part of the shore an animal can live satisfactorily are on the one hand its ability to breathe in air and to avoid being dried up when the tide is out, and on the other, its ability to endure immersion in the sea, which for many shore animals is as much a problem as avoiding desiccation.

The four periwinkles all differ in their ability to endure these conditions, and are consequently found occupying four different zones. Highest of all comes the small periwinkle, Littorina neritoides, found mainly at and a little beyond the extreme range of high spring tides, in what is called the splash zone. Except during the winter storms, when the spring tides are particularly high, the only sea water the majority of the small periwinkles get is splashed on to them from the spring tide surf once a fort-They are tiny periwinkles, averaging about 1/8 inch in length, and usually found congregated in small crevices in the rocks around the high-tide mark. They are often mistaken for young common winkles, which, however, could not survive so high on the shore.

The rough periwinkle, *Littorina rudis*, is not quite so well able to resist desiccation as the periwinkle, but occurs high on the shore, extending almost into the splash zone and some way down the shore. It is a much larger animal, nearly as large as the common periwinkle when full grown, and attractive yellow specimens are quite common. Like the small periwinkle, it prefers weed-free rocks, and usually occurs on

the exposed surfaces.

The distribution of the flat, or blunt, periwinkle, Littorina littoralis, is limited by its much smaller powers of resisting desiccation. It



COMMON PERIWINKLES. They are among the most successful creatures of the shore, as they flourish under varied conditions

cannot survive on exposed surfaces, and must live among large seaweeds, especially the bladder wrack, Fucus vesiculosus, which occurs in abundance on the mid-shore rocks. Hiding among the wet fronds of the seaweeds, it is kept moist and shaded from the sun when the tide is out. Its flat rounded shell resembles the bladders on the seaweed, sometimes making it difficult to find.

Although the common periwinkle, Littorina littorea, cannot live as high on the shore as the small and rough periwinkles, it is perhaps more perfectly adapted to shore life than any of the others because it has a more extensive range. It not only occurs on the rocks from above mid-shore right down into the water below the lowest spring-tide level, but is also quite happy on stones and mud, and can survive even on sand. It is also very tolerant of lowered salinity and flourishes in muddy estuaries. In fact, some of the most flourishing winkle fisheries are situated in river estuaries, notably that at Maldon, in Essex.

By a special device the common periwinkle is able to remain on an exposed rock surface

unshaded from the sun. A layer of mucus is spread over the rock by the foot before it is withdrawn. The mouth of the shell is then cemented to the rock as the mucus dries, and loss of water is prevented. The adhesion is not very great, and a light tap, or even a gust of wind, can dislodge the winkle, which always sits with the spire of the shell downward. In any other position the shell is unbalanced and topples over as the mucus dries.

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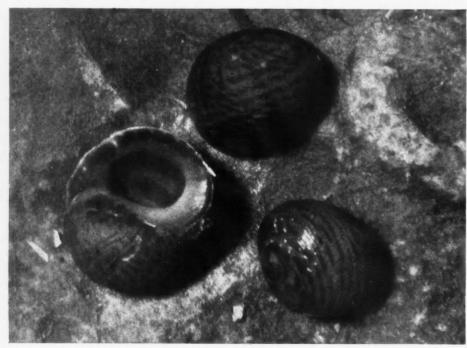
As with their powers to resist desiccation, so with their ability to breathe in air, the four periwinkles form a graded series. The blunt and common periwinkles both have normal gills developed within a gill chamber, but capable of extracting oxygen from air provided they are kept well moistened. Many shore animals have adapted their respiratory mechanisms so as to be able to breathe alternately in air and water. As a consequence complete immersion is for some of them as harmful as removal from the sea. The common winkle is the only peri-winkle capable of living wholly submerged.

The rough and small periwinkles have adapted themselves much more thoroughly than the other two species to air breathing. Their gills have become much reduced, so that they cannot endure immersion for long, and the wall of the gill cavity has become richly supplie with blood vessels, giving it the typical structur By this means they are able t of a lung.

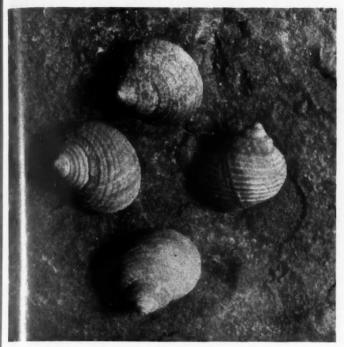
breathe in air for indefinite periods.

The small periwinkle has survived withou any sea water for several months. It is, i fact, in the adult stage almost a land anima The lung cavity of land snails is developed from the gill cavity of their aquatic ancestors, and i seems that the small and rough periwinkles ar gradually being modified so that they too, in time, may well be able to leave the shore alto gether and take up a purely terrestrial existence All through the ages the shore has been the most important habitat for animals changing from an aquatic to a terrestrial existence, so that it is not surprising to find some present-day examples of this gradual movement away from the sea.

Although the rough periwinkle is not quite so well able to resist desiccation and breathe indefinitely in air as the small periwinkle, it may be the first of the group to leave the shore altogether, because it has already made itself independent of the sea for reproduction. The fertilised eggs are retained within the body of the female, and are born as young snails com-plete with a tiny shell, and able to fend for themselves. Further development of the wall of the gill cavity as a lung, and a somewhat greater capacity on the part of the tissues to resist evaporation of water is all that is needed before



FLAT, OR BLUNT, PERIWINKLES. As they can live out of water only in shady, damp surroundings, they are confined to the mid-shore rocks, where they hide among the seaweed



RO JGH PERIWINKLES. They are to be found on the rocks on he upper half of the shore, being better able to resist drought than flat periwinkles

the rough periwinkle is able to colonise the land.

The small periwinkle covers its eggs with an egg case after they have been internally fer lised and liberates them into the sea during the winter months. An interesting adaptation to its position in the spring tide splash zone is that reproductive activity occurs only once a fornight, coinciding with the spring tides. At other times it would not be possible for the egg cases to be liberated into the water.

The little larvæ which hatch out from the egg cases remain floating in the plankton for a considerable time. Many of them provide food for various plankton-feeding animals. Those which survive will eventually settle down on the sea bed, many where conditions are unsuitable. Only those settling on weed-free rock on the mid-shore will be able to develop, and after a time they will crawl up the shore to make their permanent home in the splash zone. Drastic modification of the breeding methods of the small periwinkle is thus needed before it can completely emancipate itself from the water. The most it can achieve in the reasonably near future is an amphibian life, where the adult lives away from the shore, but must return to the sea at the breeding season.

The larvae of the common periwinkle also have to face the hazards of a planktonic life. The female lays its eggs, usually one or two at a time, but occasionally three or four, in little helmet-shaped capsules. These are often liberated into the sea at flood tide and float away, or are deposited on weeds. After hatching, the larvæ float about for some time before those that have survived settle and develop their shells

Production of planktonic larvæ, a characteristic of many shore animals, is very wasteful, but it enables the species to spread, and is a means of ensuring that all available suitable areas are colonised. The flat periwinkle has sacrificed these advantages for greater protection of the young. Its egg cases are laid in masses among the fronds of the weeds on which it lives, and from them emerge tiny shelled young.

All the periwinkles are vegetarians, feeding mainly on seaweeds and lichens. The favourite food of the common winkle is the tiny hairs which grow on the larger seaweeds. Like all gastropod molluscs, they are provided with a long radula, a ribbon beset with row upon row of minute teeth whose total number runs into thousands. In feeding, the front part of the radula is protruded from the mouth and worked lackwards and forwards on the plant food, from hich tiny pieces are scraped and passed back to the mouth. As the teeth wear out a new

length of the continually growing radula moves forward to replace the worn - out one. The reserve length of the radula, kept coiled in a special pocket at the back of the mouth, is usually at least as long as the body of the animal.

The value of common periwinkles in keeping down seaweed growth has for long been recognised by oyster cultivators. In France in particular they are introduced periodically to the oyster-beds to prevent them from becoming overgrown with weeds, which are harmful to the development of the oyster. As soon as the beds are freed from weeds the winkles are gathered, because with no more plant food available they are said to dam-age the thin edges of the oyster shells.

The behaviour patterns of the four periwinkles are all different and each one results in

directing and confining the individuals of the species to that zone where conditions are most suitable to them.

The reactions of the winkles to gravity plays a great part in zoning. They all show a negative response to the pull of gravity, which causes them to move up the shore. This negative geotaxis is strongest in the small and rough periwinkles, taking them high up the shore and on to the exposed upper faces of the rocks. The common and blunt periwinkles, in which this reaction is weaker, remain lower down the shore.

This reaction to gravity is tempered by the effects of desiccation and immersion, causing them to move down the shore if they are left uncovered by water for too long, and up the shore if immersed for too long. The common and rough periwinkles react more strongly to the effects of desiccation than the other two species, which, however, are more sensitive to immersion. In this way each of the four species is confined to its optimum zone. If a mixed

group of periwinkles is scattered at random on the shore, each will eventually move up or down the shore until it regains its own particular zone.

Their reactions to light do not carry them up or down the shore, but determine their position on the rocks within their zones. Small and rough periwinkles react fairly strongly towards light, and this carries them up to the exposed surfaces of the rocks, where they are found in greatest abundance. Reacting less strongly, the common periwinkle is tound under rocks and in rock crevices as well as on the exposed surfaces, while the blunt periwinkle always moves away from the light, a reaction which carries it to the safety of the damp seaweeds and undersides of rocks.

Low temperatures are fatal to the common periwinkle, but its reactions enable it to escape from the effects of intense cold. When the temperature begins to approach a dangerous level the winkle ceases to cling to the rocks, and is swept down shore by the tide until it reaches the safety of the water beyond the low-tide mark. On the return of warmer weather its gravity reactions carry it back on to the shore.

The periwinkle fishery is not a very important branch of the fishing industry, judged on the national scale, yet it plays an important part in the economy of small fishing communities. One of the most important fisheries is that at New Maldon, in Essex, on the tidal estuary of the River Blackwater. Here the common periwinkle occurs in abundance on the mud banks and in the river channel.

Two methods of gathering are employed, hand picking from the banks, and dredging from the river from small fishing boats. Light dredges are used, similar to those employed on the East Coast oyster-beds, but with smaller wire meshes. Winkle-dredging gives employment to the Maldon fishermen during the winter months, when conditions are unsuitable for other fishing. Winkles dredged from the river channel are often covered with a spongy growth, and a tuft of Carrageen moss (Chondrus crispus) is usually growing from the spire of the shell. To give the winkles a marketable appearance these growths have to be removed.

When the dredges are hauled in, the winkles

When the dredges are hauled in, the winkles are sorted out from the mass of stones and empty shells of various sorts, and the tuft of Carrageen moss is nipped off with thumb and finger nails. At the end of the day the catch is washed overboard in a wire basket, and undersized winkles are thus returned to the water through the meshes to continue their growth. Lastly, the winkles are stirred vigorously with sticks in pails of sea water, and the spongy growths thereby rubbed off.



A YOUNG HERMIT CRAB LODGING IN AN EMPTY WINKLE SHELL

HE LIVES BY FISH AND FOWL

By J. WENTWORTH DAY

RIZZLE of grey rain in the grey hours. The hours between midnight and dawn when wounded men die and the souls of the old take wing. Three in the morning on a Dutch river with the boat nosing her way softly through rain-stippled water to the looming blackness of a lock. An elfin blast on that fantastic little horn which the French blow in fox-hunting frenzy on their railways and with which the Dutch invoke their lock-keepers. They call it a tuterei, which may not be the right way of spelling it but gives the pretty, playful sound.

A gleam of yellow lamplight on the dimpling water, clatter of wooden clogs, and the lockgate swung open, the white hull of the boat swished silkily through.

And we were on the upper reaches of the River Drecht, which is a tributary of that other river which Mr. Sacheverell Sitwell loves so well—the Vecht, river of 18th-century country houses with their grottos, their gazebos, their ornamental canals, trellises, and clipped formality of garden hedges.

But we were not in search of the picturesque. Ours was a quest for the old, wild, undrained fens of Holland, for a glimpse of the fenland as it was in England before the great meres of Whittlesey and Ramsey, of Ugg and Soham were drained. I wanted to step back through the centuries and see a vision of the waters of my fenland forbears.

And lo, here we were on the threshold, at three in the morning, in a dim, green landscape of flat marshes where cattle snuffled and reeds whispered. The marshes stretched into the haze of drizzling rain and dim stars. The wet wind was heavy with the old, wet scents of the fenland, scents of fish and reed, of meadowsweet in creamy billows, of peaty waters, all the ineluctable mysteries of fen and mere.

Half an hour later sallow bushes scraped the cabin top. Mallard jumped on heavy wing. Coots clanked in the dimness. Somewhere in the wet, wild miles, the younger cousin of a bull grumbled in muted anger—or was it the dull thump of a lightship's foghorn far at sea? Two short weeks before I had heard that booming note come far "o'er the sullen fen," up the Old Meadow Dyke at Hickling.

Old Meadow Dyke at Hickling.

"A bittern," said I to the dim-seen Dutch figure of my lanky friend, Rienk Idenburgh.

"In Dutch that is a roerdomp," said Rienk tersely. The Dutch name for our old fenland



AN EEL ON THE END OF A DOBBER, BAITED WITH GUDGEON



"A THIN DARK PIRATICAL-LOOKING FIGURE"

"butterbump" is by far the more expressive. For the bittern is no more and no less, when you hear him in the sullen dark, than a roerdomp. For "roer" he does and "domp" it sounds like.

Slowly the light waxed, wan and wet. The boat surged through a narrow channel, where the sallows scraped her sides, on to a wide, wild mere that stretched farther than I could see. A mere, from whose pale bosom rose island beyond island, each small and flat, rimmed by whispering reeds and crowned by low thickets of sallows and willows. Grasshopper warblers reeled their thin song, tenuous and monotonous in the flat silence. In the fens we call them reeler-birds. The Dutch name means rattlers. The bittern thumped dully in the wet distance, the ancient mire-drum who is spirit incarnate of the wild fen.

Slowly the light grew. Scent of hot coffee and rum drifted from the cabin into the cockpit. In the distance the low shores took shape. Bays and inlets wandered far into the flat Dutch landscapes. At one point the mere seemed to be at least two to three miles wide. A thin church spire, low on the flat skyline, pointed slenderly to the lightening east. That one spire accentuated the unbelievable flatness of land and water.

Overhead a buzzard wheeled and mewed. His pusillanimous cry took the mind in an instant to the wild hills of Montgomeryshire, to the fairy-tale beauty of Wester Ross, where the Gruinard River falls into that enchanted bay where the Summer Isles lie like polished stone.

stone.
"We call him the chicken thief," said Rienk shortly. "Too many. Too plenty. He take the chickens."

We anchored in the peaty-brown waters of a little reedy bay in the lee of a marshy island of a few acres. Something stirred in the reeds ashore, scuttled through the bushes. A foul stink came on the wet wind. A polecat about his murderous business.

"That," said Rienk, "is the bunsing Plenty of bunsing here. Plenty all round the Dutch meres. The Government protect them. Ah, here comes Marinus."

Round the reedy peninsula glided a blunt-ended boat of a sort one would never see in England. A marsh boat built like an elongated Norwegian pram but flatter, longer, stouter, easier to guide, and easier to handle. The sort of boat one sees in French shooting prints and in Dutch pictures with both bow and stern spooned out a little so that it can glide like a sledge over reeds and floating masses of weed. In the stern sat a thin dark piratical-

looking figure. An oilskin slop was belted round his middle. His long water-boots glistened. He glided silently towards us, bumped alongside, nodded without a word, grinned welcomingly whic Belg

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A great tin bucket amidships was half full of eels squirming in a slow whirlpool of olive-green and yellow and wet silver. The floor-boards of the boat were littered with a pile of short round wooden blocks each with a length of fishing line bound neatly round its middle.

I leant over the gunwale, gave him a hand, and he clambered aboard. Six feet of primitive Dutchman. Marinus Vlug, of Niewerdijk. Now Marinus is a professional wild-fowler, eel-catcher, reed-cutter, and fisherman. He was born and bred to the game by his father and grandfather before him. And I do not doubt that, when William the Silent, the great Stadholder, was welding the Low Countries into a tough little kingdom, Marinus's ancestors were netting the ruffs on their springtime hillocks, setting lines for the eels, taking pike in bow-nets, decoying the mallard up the long-netted tunnels of the deadly pipe and launching their punts in winter after the wild geese with a flint-lock in the bows.

Marinus is one of a clan of local fowlers and fishers who, between them, rent by licence the shooting and fishing on all that vast chain of lakes into which, they tell me, you could pour the whole of the Norfolk Broads and forget them. Oddly enough, they are not natural lakes or meres, but are flooded peat-digging groun is on which, a hundred years or more ago, generations of Dutch fenmen dug out the peat unit, to-day, you have a series of lakes from four osix feet deep which look like being there for all time.

They call them the Loosdrect Lakes as the ownership is vested in a myriad of small village owners, whose rights presumably back to the old days of commoners' right Sitting on the gunwale and swallowing a tot hot rum and coffee Marinus told me some of the humble annals of those who live by gun at net. He was 31, tall, as keen as a razor blad, with blue eyes, bleached hair, ears that stick out, a penetrating gaze, and a piratical cut his general jib.

"There are about forty fishermen on the lake," he said. "We fish by licence. And we shoot by licence. Me, I pay my rent to four or five different owners, all small men except on Money? No. I do not pay in money. I pay them in eels and ducks and then they sell them in the market. One big owner in the village over there buys from me many ducks, many eels.

The pike and carp and the bream and tench which I take in my nets go to Germany, to Belgium. Plenty Dutchmen do not eat them, but me-I will cook you a pike or an eel so that he melt in your mouth. I was out in my boat till seven last night from ten. I put down two hundred and seventy of these dobbers.'

He lifted up one of the short, round blocks of wood with its coiled fishing line. On the business end was a stout eel-hook, baited with a gudgeon.

"In England we call those trimmers or rs," I put in.

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"Here, dobbers. This morning I am out at past three. Already I take up eighteen Du ch pounds' weight of eels. They are worth sev nty cents a pound. Not good market nov. April is a better month. The biggest we have taken is six pounds, two ounces, Duich weight, but my grandfather, fifty years ago caught one of thirteen Dutch pounds and anc her of eleven pounds. We catch them too in but not, never, with your English eel spear.

"The pike also I catch in nets, what you call bownets and also we use a *flure*. That is a live bait, mounted on a triangle hook, and and ored on a long line off-shore, on a wooden and toted on a long line on-shore, on a wooden flow. I put out thirty flures in a day and visit the 1 twice a day. Other fishermen sometimes put out sixty or seventy flures.

"The catch? I generally get one pike to

eve v ten flures, but sometimes as many as six.

The biggest I have catched is sixteen and a half Dutch pounds, but one of twenty-eight pounds has been catched also on a flure. On a rod the best pike, I think, was eighteen pounds, but Mr. Leemhuizen, of Hilversum, he catch a twenty-eight pound carp on a rod with a new for bait.' potato

We talked of duck shooting and of duck. In winter mallard and teal, widgeon and golden-eye, come into the lakes. The Dutch call the golden-eye "the spectacled divers", the most descriptive local name I have ever come across, and widgeon are *smitte*, while *nuns* is also used as a local name, precisely the same as in parts

of England.

Punt-guns are forbidden and Marinus shoots his ducks using a double-barrelled hammerless 12-bore, shooting from hides over wooden decoys. His average bag is from fifty to eighty a day and his best bag was ninety-two in a day. The season starts on August 1 and ends on January 15. Every shooting man with whom I spoke considered that it ended too early, but the Dutch Government occasionally varies the season from year to year. Avocets are plentiful on the lakes and strictly protected. So are the polecats which abound, although occasionally a licence is granted to kill them. A few spoonbills turn up from time to time while in spring and in autumn the lakes are alive with snipe and curlew, the Dutch name for which is charmingly interpreted as "rain whistlers".

The gunners, of whom there are about professionals, quite often construct fifteen artificial feeding-grounds for snipe by mowing out a patch in the reeds and turning it over to bring the worms to the surface. Then they make a hide and shoot the snipe on the feed.

But when I asked Marinus if he ever caught them with the old fenman's dodge of putting down horse-hair nooses or springes he exclaimed in horror, "No, that is not sport, nor is the endecooy (duck decoy). We have one on the lakes. It takes two hundred to three hundred ducks at a time. It should be stopped.

Ruffs and reeves are not unusual, but, on the other hand, not common. They are strictly protected and the local name for ruff is most realistically interpreted as "fighting cocks."

"Me! That is my life. I fish. I shoot. I

work all the day and half the night. But I am the master to myself-no one else.

Marinus paused, sipped his rum and coffee. 'In the season I cut the reeds for the house roofs. In the summer I work sometimes on the farms. I have a nice little house in the villagegood and clean. You give my little house the honour to come and I cook you myself some eels and a goose which, I think, not the best hotel in Amsterdam will cook better. But I am not rich—I am just a man of the mere—like my grandfather and his father before him. It is the life for a man, I think. Yess?'

I think so, too,

A Golf Commentary by THE SOARING HUMAN BOY 0 BERNARD DARWIN

HIS article will probably be something of a hotch-pot, in which are mingled, with no particular relevance to one another, some ancient and some modern golf. Let youth cone first. I hope soon to be packing my bag and taking the train for St. Anne's (change at Preston) to watch the Boys' Championship. I am looking forward to it with all the proverbial zeal of a convert. Up to last year I had only once seen a single day's play in this championship and that was a long time ago, at Fulwell in 1930. Then, last year, partly because it had become an official event under the aegis of the R. and A., and partly because it was to be played at St. Andrews, whither I always go if I can find any excuse, I determined to see it again. But I admit I went in rather a sceptical mood. I did not believe in the scores attributed to these boys in the newspapers, and I had an impression, shared I know by a good many other people, that too much publicity was not good for youth; that "little boys should be seen and not heard." In short, I went very nearly to scoff and remained whole-heartedly to pray. I saw some very good and exciting golf, far better than I had expected, played by very well conducted young gentlemen, and played with a dash and speed that made it the greatest possible fun to watch. I resolved that if possible I would go to see again next time, and when I found the championship was to be at St. Anne's my resolution became one of cast iron.

Last year the Old Course at St. Andrews was very fast and so was playing easily. The weather, too, was fine and no doubt the conditions were rather flattering. When a young gentleman of fourteen can do the Long Hole Out in three, and do it, not as an old gentleman might do by holing a long iron shot, but by getting up in two and holing a not very long putt when, I say, such things can happen, even making all due allowance for precocious genius, the golf must have been relatively easy. At the same time it was extraordinarily good, not only in the mere number of strokes, but in the method in which they were played. And, as I have already said, the dash and daring of their golf was, to me at least, astonishing. The way in which they attacked the famous Road hole, The way 17th, was almost insolent in its bravery. Perhaps they had never heard of the eights and nines or tens that had been done there, on the y threshold of triumph, and of the cham-aships that had been lost there by great men the past. Perhaps they had heard of them regarded them only as the follies of futile

old persons. At any rate they took their brasseys for their second shots and went bang at the green so perilously perched. Sometimes, admittedly, they went over the green and then, just when crabbed age was saying that this would be a lesson to them, they pitched back with perfect sangfroid from that devilish road and got their fives after all.

Last year, since the championship was at St. Andrews, the majority of the players came from Scotland, and though an English boy, Hine, was favourite, it was a young Scot, Mac-Anespie, who won, beating Drew from Ireland in the final. This year I suppose there will be more English boys and fewer Scots. Boys insist on growing older, and both Hine and Mason, who were the top English couple in the International, are now over age and indeed, Mason has already played as a professional. Similarly McAnespie and the gigantic Stark on the Scottish side are too old; and so is Drew, but I can remember some very good players who will still be there. Young, of Scotland, who got through some rounds of the Amateur Cham-pionship the other day, and Brough, of England, a mighty hitter, and Glover, of Northern Ireland, who impressed me so much last year that I became something of a "fan" of his after seeing a single stroke. There is likewise Master Lunt, son of an English ex-champion, the hero of that three at the Long Hole last year; he will

be going on for years yet.

It will be particularly interesting to see the boys play at St. Anne's, because it was only last spring that I was watching their elders by a few ears playing in the University match there. There was some very good golf in that match and it will naturally be of interest to try to make comparisons; I have an impression schoolboys will suffer very little by being compared with the undergraduates. If there are any particularly good boys, doubtless Mr. Oppenheimer will try to induce them to go to Oxford— I must put in a word for poor Cambridge.

And now to leave the present and turn for a moment to the past. Turning over the pages of an old Golfing Annual the other day-it was for 1893-94—I was fascinated by an article called A Golfer's Catechism, with Answers by the Editor. He had apparently been driven frantic by being asked the same questions over and over again and tried to save himself by answering them all at once. Many of them were dull and obvious, about the rules, but the one that attracted me was "Where should we place our

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hazards?" The answer was "If possible you should always have a hazard, say, 130 yards in front of each tee; and another, if the hole be not within driving distance, say 35 yards or so from the putting green—the one to trap a topped or badly-hit drive, and the other to punish a slip-shod approach. . . . Then, if practicable, there should be hazards to right and left of the direct line for the hole, to punish the long, erratic driver and the duffer every shot, with a hazard a bit beyond the hole to pocket the furious approach." Does it not make a charming pattern? A little dull and monotonous perhaps, but how beautifully symmetrical! I think the Editor's views were regarded as extremely sound, because I seem to remember courses on which I played laid out on just these principles, and I have no doubt I thought them in my innocence "all wery capital." I was rather amused at the Editor's reason for the perpetual cross-bunker that he advocated. He was, by the way, as you will see, a good Scotsman. "How frequently," he wrote, do we, who live north of the Tweed, hear the well-known refrain from our caddie when we have scuffled our approaches to the hole side with no bunker to punish them, 'Never mind, sir, it's as guid as a better? What delightful sarcasm is conveyed therein. Now a bunker there would not have laid us open to the shaft of a caddie's ridicule."

It does seem the oddest reason for a bunker that it should save us from our caddie's sarcasm; speaking as a confirmed scuffler I would rather get to the hole side in my own degraded way and put up with my caddie's remarks. However that may be, the advice given in that article goes far to explain how dreadfully dull and bad were most inland courses when golf was young in England. There was an unnecessary ferocity in the view that the poor "duffer" who sliced every time must always pay the penalty by finding himself in a bunker. We have grown more merciful or wiser since those days, realising that the duffer makes his own hell for himself without having bunkers dug specially for him. There is, incidentally, another rather entertaining question in the catechism as to the length of the average drive with (1) an iron; (2) cleek; (3) brassey, and (4) driver. The answer is "Given a fair average player (1) 120; (2) 140; (3) 150, and (4) 170 yards respectively." That answer applied, of course, to a gutty ball. The young heroes at St. Anne's will, I suppose, be taking a No. 6 or No. 7 iron to equal that "fair average golfer's" full drive.

PERIPATETICS -By M. HARRISON-GRAY

COME weeks back I wrote about the freak bidding system used by the Italian team in the European Championships at Brighton. To be precise, there were two Italian systems; the two pairs who did the brunt of the work employed an entirely different chain of conventional bids, the only common denominator

being a fantastic artificiality.

As everyone knows, "it is improper to employ, without explaining its meaning to the opponents, a convention in calling or an unusual convention in play, the significance of which may not be clear to them." This is an extract from the latest Laws of Contract Bridge, but it is included in the section devoted to the proprieties and no penalty is prescribed for contravention of what may be termed the pious wishes of the law-makers.

It is, however, stated that "the committee of any association, tournament or club, or group of persons playing Contract Bridge, may prohibit or restrict the use of conventions which are both generally unrecognised and sufficiently intricate to cause unreasonable delay."

In the tougher field of tournament play, the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge (1949) provide more specific protection and redress for an injured party. If the director decides that a side has been damaged through its opponents' failure to explain the meaning of a call or play before or at the time of its use, he may award an adjusted score.

But the most pregnant paragraph is the following:

"If a player is in doubt as to the significance of an opponent's call, or if declarer is in doubt as to the significance of a defender's play, should forthwith summon the director. If, after consulting the opponents (privately, if necessary), the director decides that the call or play has any special or unusual meaning, he should require the player who made the call or play to leave the table and the partner to explain its meaning."

The imagination reels before the prospect conjured up by this well-intentioned effort on the part of the law-makers. I say well-intentioned, because logically it is the only proper

A casual enquiry at the table often serves to jog the memory of an absent - minded opponent. We are all familiar with an everyday scene in rubber Bridge at the club. North and South, who have played together only a few times, are drawn as partners; neither views the cut with relish, silence prevails, and there is no discussion as to the system to be played. The very first hand that North picks up is the

following:

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He opens with Two Clubs, and South bids Two Diamonds. An opponent says, "You're playing the Two Clubs, I suppose?" North replies tersely, "No, the Forcing Two."

This evokes a shriek of horror from the lady

sitting South; her distress is understandable, for she has bid Two Diamonds on a balanced Yarborough. North, who took it to be a positive response showing at least a biddable Diamond suit headed by the Ace, checks his original impulse to jump to Seven Clubs, and the hand is

played safely in game.

The opponents are victimised, but in rubber Bridge their only redress is to enforce their rights under the little-known Law 20 (a): "If by a remark or unmistakeable gesture a player other than declarer discloses his intentions or desires, or the nature of an unfaced hand . either opponent may require the offending side to pass whenever it is its turn to call. . Clearly Mrs. South's squawk was a gross breach of ethics which kept her side out of an unmakable slam; but enforcement of the proper penalty is sure to lead to a lasting deterioration of relations between the parties concerned.

Let us now consider a duplicate match against a team such as the Italians, where literally nine bids out of ten have a completely artificial meaning. I watched some of the foreign teams at Brighton following a set policy: every

time an Italian made a bid, they asked for a detailed explanation, often with the aid of an interpreter.

Strictly speaking, the correct procedure required the permanent presence at the table of that harassed official, the tournament director, and a constant exodus of Italians from the playing rooms while their partners gave the necessary information. But at this rate each 32-board match would have lasted a week, while the high price of Italian shoe-leather had also to be taken into consideration. So Law 43 (c) of the Duplicate Code was honoured only in the

There was one unusual incident, however, that resulted in disciplinary action being taken against a famous French player. The basic situation was again a familiar one. Albarran and his partner, Dr. Jais, were heading for a slam in Hearts. Jais produced a Blackwood Four No-Trump bid. Albarran held two Aces, but felt that he had rather overbid his hand up to that point; in other words, he wanted to be in Six Hearts, but not in Seven. The urge to lie

with his response was very strong.

Reference to the Duplicate Code, or the main Laws for that matter, shows that a player may make a call that departs from commonly accepted or previously announced practice without prior announcement, provided it is not based on a partnership understanding. If you have doubts as to your partner's sanity, there is nothing to stop you signing off with Five Clubs over a Blackwood, even though you hold three Aces. You are taking a sporting chance; the opponents are deceived, but so is your partner; and you will have to face his wrath, without a leg to stand on, if you play the hand in Five and make Seven.

But, in this case, Albarran adopted the extraordinary procedure of turning to a Swedish

opponent and enquiring, "May I now make an irregular bid?

The Swedes looked stunned. The scorer summoned the tournament director. A project was lodged and referred to the full Council of the European Bridge League. France ultima elyplayed the board in Six Hearts and made it Sweden were not mollified when they lear ed that their pair in the other room had bid Se en and gone one down. They lost 10 match points on the deal and France won the match b a decisive margin. Whether or not Jais would have bid the grand slam but for Albarran's indirect warning will never be known.

There could only be one ruling: that Albarran was out of order. He may well have been influenced by a high sense of ethics in warning the opponents that he was about to make an irregular bid; but he should have followed the established procedure of asking Jais to leave the table while he did so. And so a curious incident was succeeded by a curious official decision. France must not be penalised because Sweden had reached a poor contract; the result on the board was to stand; and Albarran was suspended for one match.

This was very nice for the next team to play France, but no great consolation to the (possibly) victimised Swedes.

I make no apology for dealing at length with a state of affairs that can only create a feeling of incredulous horror. My correspondents often express an opinion that is rapidly becoming general: it is high time that something was done to kill most of these conventions stone dead, all the more so if the only adequate remedy provided by the Laws is to involve endless conversation and a jumping up and down at the beck of an official finger. I have received several ingenious suggestions, some of which will be considered in a future article.

A BARGAIN THAT BINDS

By W. J. WESTON, Barrister-at-Law

PEOPLE are apt to forget what exactly it was that they undertook wish to shuffle out of a bargain, and they resent the suggestion that they are promisebreakers. But their recollection of the terms of a bargain diverges from the recollection of the other party, and, where obstinacy obtains, litigation may ensue. Moreover, undeterred by penalties for perjury, a man may knowingly swear to what is false about an agreement. "It is," he says to himself, "only his word against mine, and in the uncertainty no Court will suffer the bargin against me." enforce the bargain against me.

In 1677 such false swearing was perhaps more rife than it is now. At any rate, Parliament, seeking a remedy, enacted the famous Statute of Frauds. Vox perit, litera scripta -"spoken words go with the wind, written words remain an enduring record." Which means that for specified contracts, where denial of obligations assumed is peculiarly frequent, unless signed evidence is forthcoming the Courts are not to enforce the contract. The defendant

will be bound only by his signature.

Contracts in relation to land were among these specified contracts. Even if it were undeniable that a contract had been made, it was in the absence of written evidence an unenforceable one. Curious twists have in the course of its long life been given to the Statute, and strange interpretations have been put upon it. But so far as interests in land are concerned, the requirement of "a note or memorandum of contract signed by the defendant" remains unimpaired. It has been incorporated in Section 40 of the Law of Property Act, 1925. But, as the case of Fowler v. Bratt (C.A., 1950) shows, the "note or memorandum" may emerge from a series of connected documents.

This case re-affirmed that, though a formal contract of sale does not exist, the estate agent may yet be entitled to his commission. Many possible buyers of land-some sellers, too, perhaps-look upon the phrase, "subject to

contract," with reverent awe. Insert it, they think, in their acceptance of an offer and it will protect them, even though they change their minds and renounce their contract. Under the shield of that magic formula the buyer may be as wayward as he pleases, may prevent the seller from offering the property to others while he remains free to buy or not to buy.

It is not so, however. When a buyer signs an assent to terms, contained maybe in another document, and a formal contract is only requisite as a preparatory to the actual deed of conveyance, there is a binding contract. In other words, when the bargaining has come to the point where the buyer can call upon the seller to convey the property, or the seller can call upon the buyer either to complete the purcha e or to pay compensation, the phrase "subject of contract" becomes meaningless. The contract is already there, and the estate agent has a vested right to his commission, a right of which he cannot be deprived by the vendor's choosing to withdraw from the contract.

In the particular case one of the Lor Justices put the true doctrine in this way: " an agent succeeds in finding a purchaser—th is, a person who actually enters into a bindir and enforceable contract to purchase—thagent earns his commission; and if that contract afterwards goes off by the vendor's default, the vendor is liable to pay commission.

The one document signed by the buyer was a note, "Please find enclosed cheque value £283 being deposit on the above property." But the had been talk about terms, and the sending the deposit was the buyer's answer to agent's letter, written with the approval of the seller, that an offer made was acceptable. two documents, looked at together, constitute a note or memorandum of contract so as t bind the purchaser. The vendor breaks his implied contract with his agent when he does not go forward to completion; and commission is payable.

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k al CIR,—By long established custom our cat Cleopatra (Cleo for short) goes into the basket three times a year; and, by another long-established custom, we dispose of all but one of the new arrivals before (we have told ourselves hopefully) she has had time to count them. But the timing seems to have worked on her mind; for being as have heard it charmingly put) "in the kittiway" again the other week, and the basket all ready for her, she disa peared for 24 hours, returning to

disa opeared for 24 hours, returning to
the louse hungry and kittiless.

When she left, replete, she was
foll wed patiently for an hour, and,
afte laying several false trails, went
up n old ivy-covered walnut tree pigeons have been nesting. twenty feet or more from the Her id, and a storey below the pigeons, ad made her own nest in the ivy, rom here, when we had borrowed ficiently long ladder, we brought the usual four kittens. We are the usual four kittens. We are not two of them this time, hoping Cleo will regard this as a fair promise, and accept the basket on the next happy occasion. It we would like to know meanisthis: Do cats have kittens in—or is Cleopatra, as Charmian ght, a lass unparalleled?—A. A. E. Cotchford Farm, Hartfield, 3x. tha whi MIL

[Cleopatra is, we are afraid, not unique. There are several records of cats stealing away to have their kittens in a nest made in the ivy in a tree or in a hollow tree. Their motive is, presumably, to avoid having their kittens done away with.—ED.]

THE COUNTRY HOUSE CHARTER

SIR.—Credit where credit is due. Amid the wide-spread praise of the Gowers Report's proposals for preserving country houses, it is worthy of recall that in 1934 the late Lord Lothian, in a speech he was invited to make to the National Trust, first drew public attention to the threat to public attention to the threat to historic country houses and put forward

a somewhat similar scheme for their a somewhat similar scheme to their preservation. And that it was only the generous co-operation of COUNTRY LIFE which provided the factual basis for that speech and so enabled him to anticipate the most important con-clusions of the Gowers Report.

The Government of the time was unwilling to act on his proposals, which were indeed clearly in advance of public opinion, but the National Trust promoted two Private Acts, which have enabled it to play a valuable part in preserving as private. able part in preserving as private homes a number of historic houses with their contents, their gardens and their parks, and so to emphasise the need for State action now that the problem has become so much more urgent and acute.—D. M. MATHESON, 22, Tedworth Square, S.W.3.

RARE BUTTERFLY IN HAMPSHIRE

-On July 24 I found a Large SIR,—On July 24 I found a Large Tortoiseshell butterfly, an insect which is now very rare in this country, on my bedroom window. I am indeed fortunate, having also taken the last recorded specimen of the Black-veined White, in July, 1926.—F. C. Stonor, Parkgate, near Southampton.

ROYAL ARMS IN PARISH CHURCHES

-You have published numerous slk,—Tot have published inherous letters recently about the Royal arms in churches. I enclose a photograph showing the coat-of-arms over the chancel arch in the church at Coxwold in the North Riding of Yorkshire.

The arms consist of four quarters:

The stress quarter is England invocal.

In arms consist of four quarters: in the first quarter is England impaling Scotland; in the second is France; in the third Ireland; and in the fourth Hanover, with the crown of Charlemagne in the middle.

The church is also interesting for its box-pews, three-decker pulpit and curious T-shaped altar-rails, but above all for its monuments. In my other photograph can be seen the white marble monument to Henry Belasyse and his son Thomas. Henry is depicted handing a coronet to his son, who had succeeded his grand-



RECOVERING A NET ABANDONED BY SALMON POACHERS IN THE ABERDEENSHIRE DEE

See letter: Depredations of Salmon Poachers

father as Viscount Fauconberg in 1652. Soon afterwards he married Mary, third daughter of Oliver Cromwell. He was created Earl Fauconberg in 1689 and died in 1700.—H. E. ILLINGWORTH, 11, Leadhall Lane, Harrogate, Yorkshire.

SIR,—I was interested in the article on Royal arms in churches by Mr. R. D. Reid published in COUNTRY LIFE recently. There is an early coat-of-arms in St. Nicholas Church, Rushbrooke, near Bury St. Edmunds.

It is Tudor and bears the stamp

of early work, the supporters being a dragon on the dexter, and a greyhound argent on the sinister side, flanked by the badges of the period, a portcullis

and a rose.

The arms are placed high up at the junction of nave and chancel and there is a beam inscribed with the Royal motto *Dieu*, mon droict with a c in the final word, another sign of early

The mother of Henry VII was a Beaufort and both he and his son adopted the Beaufort hound as a supporter to their arms.—C. AYLMER (Mrs.), Risby Manor, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk.

DEPREDATIONS OF SALMON POACHERS

SIR,—While I was fishing the Aberdeenshire Dee for a fortnight in May scarcely a day passed without my hearing reports that one or other of its famous pools was being emptied of fish by the organised gangs of poachers who are systematically despoiling this

who are systematically despoiling this magnificent salmon river.

Sure enough, one night near the end of my fortnight it was the turn of the best pool of the stretch 1 had rented, as I discovered the following day. The pool is self-contained and more than 150 yards in length, narrow at the neck and deep and rocky against the steen bank composite the one which the steep bank opposite the one which I was fishing, widening over shingle as it progresses and finally gliding little more than ankle deep over a natural weir. A main road, cut out of the steep bank opposite, overlooks the pool for the whole of its length. Obviously

for the whole of its length. Obviously a pool to appeal to poachers.

That morning I waded out into the pool as far as I could and when I had fished it down for about fifty yards I saw two or three small black objects bobbing on the surface near the far bank. At first I thought it was the water lapping the tops of rocks, but the longer I kept my eyes focused on them the more they appeared to be square corks such as one sees fixed to sea nets.

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Presently a car pulled up on the road opposite and the proprietor of the hotel where I was staying got out to see how I was faring. I shouted across to him to have a look at the mysterious objects and he shouted back that sure enough he could see a full-size net in the pool. He sped off in his car to report the discovery to the authorities.

It was not long before the rod who

It was not long before the rod who had the opposite bank and his gillie turned up, and shortly afterwards two large policemen hove into sight on a

motor-cycle.

By this time it was full noon and very hot and my gillie and I reclined on the bank and watched with interest the efforts of the group opposite to extricate the net. The huge net apparently had become fouled round a submerged rock. They found that out after they had attached the heavy

draw rope to the back of a car and it had snapped like a piece of thread.

After skilful manipulation by the gillie, who had waded into the river, and manhandling by the two





THE NAVE AND CHANCEL OF COXWOLD CHURCH, YORKSHIRE, AND (right) ONE OF ITS MONUMENTS

See letter: Royal Arms in Parish Churches

policemen, the net was drawn out on to the bank-empty of fish, to the chagrin of us all.

This little incident, unimportant in itself, nevertheless serves to illustrate what is taking place on many of our finest salmon rivers and the harm that is going to result from it; for the full effect of the depredations that have been going on, for the last two years especially, will not be felt till four or five years hence.

Only recently I received from my erstwhile gillie a letter, from which I quote: "The fishing was very poor in June this year. The poachers have been making a wholesale business of it, the low water being to their advantage. They have practically trate what is taking place on many of

advantage. They have practically emptied the Dee of fish." I hope he is exaggerating, but he is not given to hyperbole.

The maximum fine that may be imposed on a salmon poacher in Scotland is £5, according to the latest Salmon Law passed in 1868. Hardly enough to make the men who organise these gangs from the cities look upon it as more than P.A.Y.E. tax at 2½ per cent. on one night's takings.

Parliament had its attention drawn long ago to the threat to the

salmon industry. No one could show

in COUNTRY LIFE was seen by me a few months back in Bombay, where he had not a bull but a dog with him.

While passing along a thorough-fare of Bombay, I saw a crowd, and on enquiry I found that there was a dog having supernatural powers. I waited there near the crowd and saw the dog performing several feats as General Duncan described in the case of the bull. The Jogi used to go to an individual in the crowd and ask him his name. Subsequently, he would address the dog, asking him to go to Mr. X, the very individual whose name he had enquired. The dog would immediately trace the person. This was repeated in the case of several individuals and I am quite sure that

individuals and I am quite sure that there were no confederates. I cannot say whether this strange behaviour of the dog was due to some supernatural power or to the animal's some extraordinary intelli-S. H. Mahva, Sleater Road, having some gence.— Bombay.

LACE-MAKING FIFTY YEARS AGO

SIR,—The photograph of a lace-maker's stool in COUNTRY LIFE of July 21 may be supplemented by another—taken about 1900 in Bed-fordshire—showing a similar stool ready

for use. The inverted flask full of water concentrated the candle light on the cushion and the height of the flame could be kept flame could be kept constant by raising the stick carrying the candle, which was wedged in position in the middle hole of the stool.—W. J. HEMP, Bod Cywarch, Criccieth, North Wales.



SIR,-In England we know the fieldfare only as a shy winter migrant; indeed, at that season it is so timid that it will seldom allow itself to be approached nearer than a hundred yards or so. British ornithologists visiting Sweden in sum-mer will, therefore, be somewhat surprised to find the bird nesting in crowded city parks, where it is as fearless and confiding as suburban blackbirds.

our own suburban blackbirds.
Unlike most thrushes, the fieldfare retains to a very large extent its gregarious habits throughout the year and consequently is usually found nesting in small communities. In the neighbourhood of Abisko, in Lapland, I noticed another peculiarity namely. I noticed another peculiarity, namely that the birds breeding there displayed that the birds breeding there displayed a very marked preference for the vicinity of human habitations. Whether this is a general rule or not I am hardly in a position to say; if so, it is perhaps strange that I have failed to find a reference to this apparent predilection in any ornithological work I have consulted.

The Abisko fieldfares were very definitely favouring those parts of the forest which were nearest to the houses we were staying in. This habit was even more pronounced at Vassijuare station. Here, in the absence of suitable trees, several pairs had built their nests on the exposed tops of the upright posts of the snow screens surrounding the power house, and two birds were diligently feeding young in the framework of a hightension pylon in the station itself, as shown in the accompanying photograph.

At this season fieldfares remind one in many respects of their larger relative, the mistle-thrush. The way they fly around when their nests are approached uttering a rattling chatter (which is perhaps only a variant of



THE MISTLETOE OAK, EASTNOR PARK, HEREFORDSHIRE See letter: Mistletoe and the Oak

their winter chuckling cry) is strongly reminiscent of the behaviour of a mistle-thrush. Like that bird, too, they make very little attempt to con-ceal their nests, for these are usually placed very conspicuously in the fork of two major boughs of a tree, well below the canopy of leaves.—Co wood Ingram, Benenden, Kent. -COLLING-

MISTLETOE AND THE OAK

SIR,-I was interested in your corres SIR,—I was interested in your correspondent's statement that he did not know of any oak tree in England which bears mistletoe (July 21). An oak tree in Eastnor Park, Herefordshire—near the ancient British Camp on the Malvern hills—has been known as the mistletoe oak since about 1840.

There are at least a dozen records of mistletoe on oaks in Herefordshire and Worcestershire since that date. The Transactions of the Worcestershire Naturalists' Club for 1872 states that "... formerly the Mistletoe upon the oak was not very uncommon, but it is believed by the rustic population that the oak Mistletoe when boiled into a jelly, was a sure remedy for epileptic fits, and thus it had been used I enclose a photograph of the Eastnor mistletoe oak, taken in 1938. The mistletoe on it is Viscum album. A. J. HARTHAN, Badgers Hill, Sheriffs Lench, Evesham, Worcestershire.

EXAMPLES IN 1870

SIR,—In 1870 there were ten known mistletoe oaks in England, according mistletoe oaks in England, according to the proceedings of the famous Woolhope Naturalist Society, 1870 (pages 68-69, with illustration of the mistletoe oak of Llangattock Lingoed, Monmouthshire, and page 317 for the details of the mistletoe oak in Moccas Park, Bredwardine, Herefordsbird.

Another well-known example was at Tedstone Delamere, Hereford-shire, on which mistletoe grew for shire, on which mistlede grew for some thirty-eight years. Certainly, it seems to prefer young trees of about a hundred years, or less, in age.—
A. G. WADE (Major), Ash Cottage, Bentley, Hampshire.

SPECIES OF OAK

SIR,—The recent letter on old oaks by Mr. Maynard Greville raises an interesting point on which he and others may be able to throw some light.

There are two distinct species of



A LACE-MAKER'S STOOL IN USE

See letter: Lace-making Fifty Years Ago

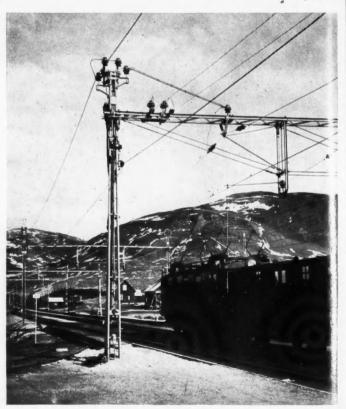
more thorough understanding of the situation than the Investigating Committee set up by the Secretary of State for Scotland in August, 1948, in their report and proposals published in April. (Note the dates.) In June the Secretary of State for Scotland, replying to a question in the House said: ing to a question in the House said:
"Our studies of the report, although incomplete, are well advanced." Is the problem so vast and intricate that its implications cannot be grasped without prolonged thought? It is when an emergency arises requiring immediate legislation that one is apt to grow impatient with the cumbersome procedure required by our Parliament-

procedure required by our Parliamentary system, admittedly so admirable under normal circumstances.

"Too late" is the self-criticism Parliament so often offers in an emergency, if and when any action does eventuate. It looks as though once again the all-too-familiar phrase will have to be applied to the desultory action it is taking for the prevention of the destruction not only of a tion of the destruction, not only of a noble sport, but of an important industry.—Logie.

A DOG WITH SECOND SIGHT

SIR,—I was much interested to read the recent article by Major-General Duncan about the bull with second sight. I thought that you might be interested to know that the Jogi whose photograph appeared



HIGH-TENSION PYLON: IN WHICH FIELDFARES NESTED AT VASSIJUARE STATION, LAPLAND See letter : Habits of Fieldfares



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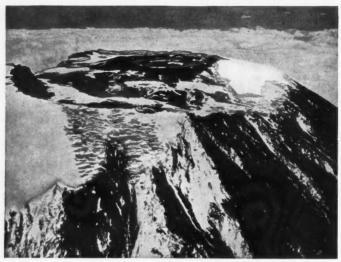
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OF THE ASH CONE ON THE KIBO SUMMIT OF KILIMANJARO MOUNTAIN AERIAL VIEW

See letter : Kilimanjaro Mountain

oak in this country. There is the English oak (Quercus robur) with acorns on long stalks and leaves, whose blades join their short stalks in whose blades join their short stalks in an ear-like manner. The other is the Durmast oak with practically stalk-less acorns and leaves that taper into quite long stalks. This is now known as Quercus petraea, from the fact that it is usually found in stonier (and therefore probably hillier) ground. There are also intermediate forms.

My experience in the West Mid-

My experience in the West Mid-lands is that remarkable old specimens, particularly if isolated, are of the long-stalked acorn English oak. I wonder if this is so elsewhere.—MILES HAD-FIELD, 39, Hamstead Hill, Handsworth Wood, Birmingham.

A WELSH MARKET HALL

SIR,—Some of the most interesting market houses in England are in counties bordering with Wales—at Ross-on-Wye, Ledbury, Leominster and other Herefordshire towns—but in Wales itself the focus of a market town seems to offen to be a hideous town seems too often to be a hideous Victorian clock-tower rather than an attractive market house. Llanidloes, however, is one pleasant exception, and I enclose a photograph of its little-known market house. The cupola contains a bell on which

The cupola contains a perion which curfew was rung within the memory of living man. The brick end was rebuilt in 1765, but most of the market house is evidently much older, and it is on record that the assizes were held in the upper room in 1606 and 1629.

The attempted assimilation of the weatherboards to black-and-white timber-frame work, by perpendicular painting, is perhaps more laughable than successful. The whole building is an odd mixture of stone, brick and timber, with cobbles underneath.—BYWAYMAN, Berkshire.

KILIMANJARO MOUNTAIN

-In the last paragraph of his e on Kilimanjaro Mountain, Tanganyika (July 21), Mr. Haarer poses the question whether the mountain is volcanically extinct.

That this is not so has been conclusively proved by myself and others during the past few years. Articles during the past few years. Articles giving details of my findings have been published in the *Geographical Journal* and other scientific journals during the past five years.

From the contents of his article I imagine that Mr. Haarer has not visited the Kibo summit. Had he done so he would have seen the important small inner crater or ash cone which lies inside the caldera (or outer crater). The ash cone is almost surrounded with solfataras, emitting gases of temperatures up to 172 deg. F., and very extensive sulphur beds are the result.

I enclose an aerial photograph of the ash pit which gives some idea of its size in relation to that of the caldera. The surrounding equatorial glaciers are intensely interesting from several points of view which cannot be

discussed within the compass of this discussed within the compass of this letter. They consist of enormous fragmentary cliffs of ice that are being rapidly eroded by intense insolation, which is not at present balanced by sufficient snowfall to redress the loss by ablation.

Mr. Haarer mentions the cold water of Lake Chala. When I visited the lake in 1945 the temperature of the water was as high as 79 deg. F., and this warmth extended to some depth. this warmth extended to some depth. The water had a bitter soda taste, and I remember speculating at the time whether this great body of deep water might owe something of its warmth to thermal causes, since it lies at the foot of a mountain which is by no means vulcanologically extinct.—P. C. SPINK, Thornton Hall, Ulceby, Lincolnshive

A HOMING SPIDER

SIR.—A large, unusual-looking, long-bodied spider has made its home for the last 334 years in the cordless pulley-hole near the top of the sash windows in our dining-room. Its gauzy web across the corner of the window is swept away periodically, and is immediately replaced.

Not long ago we succeeded at last in catching the spider, which we placed on the trunk of a Wellingtonia tree, a good 500 yards from the house.

Three days later, we were astonished to see the same gauzy web in the same SIR,-A large, unusual-looking, long-

gauzy web in the same corner of the window, with the same large spider darting in and out of the same pulley-hole.—G. M. RAE (Mrs.), The Moors, Bishopsteignton, S. Devon.

WHERE IS THE CHURCH ?

SIR,—I wonder if any of your readers can iden-tify the church (which is probably in the county of Lincolnshire or per-haps Yorkshire) shown in the accompanying photothe accompanying photo-

the accompanying photograph of a painting.

The original is a water-colour by James Lobley, dated 1860. Lobley was an artist of distinction in water-colours, but left few finished pictures. This one was acquired by my father from him soon after the date that it was painted, and has it was painted, and has remained in our family ever since.—CECIL M. HARRIS, Low Fell, Crosthwaite, Kendal, Westmorcaravans that clash with the landscape, but a single white caravan is surely not necessarily a foreign element in the English scene.

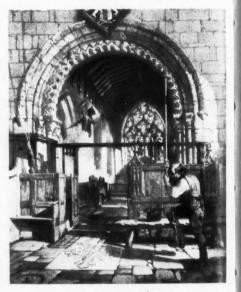
During the war some caravanners asked whether they should camouflage their caravans. The advice given from a high R.A.F. authority was that they should not. The English landscape, he said, contained a lot of whitewashed buildings and other lightcoloured detail. There was nothing abnormal or likely to attract attention abnormal of likely to attract attent in in isolated caravans painted white.—
W. M. Whiteman, Hon. Public Relations Officer, The Caravan Club, 24, Store Street, W.C.1.

BLACKBIRD CATCHING A NEWT

SIR,—With reference to the letter in a recent issue of COUNTRY LIFE about a carrion crow that was seen to catch a fish, your readers may be interested in the following occurrence.

in the following occurrence.

I had been watching the strange antics of a cock blackbird around a pool in my rock garden. Thinking he had come to drink, I could not understand why he should peer into the water from a height, and then clumsily descend an almost vertical moss-covered face, when he could have reached the water's edge with ease where a grass bank descends. Then



A WATER-COLOUR BY JAMES LOBLEY, **DATED 1860**

See letter: Where is the Church?

LORD CLIVE AT KINGSTON?

From Lady Fountain

SIR,-Early in 1907 the late Mr. E. D. Till, of The Priory, Eynsford, bought two old cottages in the village and converted them into a house. We bought this house from him and he told us that the black-and-white floor-ing in the hall, a rather florid Baroque overmantel, and a door had been brought by him from a house in Kingston which was being demolished and had belonged to Lord Clive. I shall be grateful if any of your readers can inform me if Lord Clive ever had a house in Kingston.—A. M. L. FOUNTAIN, Little Mote, Eynsford, Kent.

COLOUR OF CARAVANS

SIR,-A recent correspondent obsix,—A recent correspondent objected to caravans being painted white and wanted them painted green. I suggest that what is functionally right is rarely artistically wrong, fitness for purpose being an established canon of art. The finishes functionally most efficient for caravans are white and other very light colours, or bright metal, since these surfaces reflect the heat away.

There are caravans painted in bad

taste, and there are sites or groups of

suddenly he darted through a clump of suddenly he darted through a clump of mimulus, stabbed the water and seized a large newt. He then flew a short distance to a flat rock, where he are his catch with evident relish.—V. REX MASON, Weatheroak, Narborough, Leicestershire.

HARRIERS AT PETERBOROUGH

SIR,—I regret that a sentence in m article on hounds at Peterboroug (COUNTRY LIFE, July 28) has led som readers to suppose that the champio-harrier bitch hound was Sparkfor Vale Rachel '49. In fact, the champio bitch hound was the unentered Cotle Ringlet (by Locksmith '45 out of Ringlet '45), to whom Rachel stood reserve.-Robert Colville.

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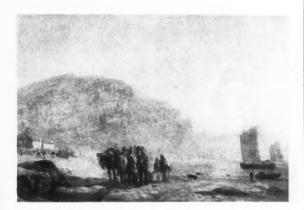
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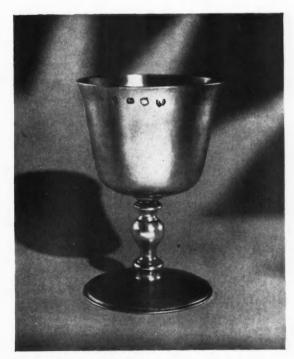
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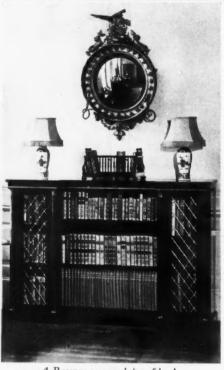


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FARMING NUTRIA THE DANISH WAY

Written and Illustrated by BJORN GRAAE

R. ALAN SAVORY'S article Farming Nutria for Fur (September 23, 1949) outlined his experiences in breeding this useful little animal in Britain. In the following article I propose to tell how we in Denmark manage to breed nutria to the profit, not only of the breeder, but of the country as a whole, for we are now exporting pelts to both the U.S.A. and Great Britain. The flesh, too, has proved an asset. Many tons have been exported in a frozen state to Great Britain, where, I am told, it has featured on the menu at a dinner for Members of Parliament. In France, too, the home of the gourmet, as Mr. Savory stated, the meat of nutria is considered a delicacy. It is difficult to understand why during the war Great Britain resorted to the bree ling of rabbits when nutria-raising would have been of far greater value in both fur and flesh.

Mr. Savory stated that nutria cause no damage when set free in these comparatively cold countries. The same is true of thei native country, Argentina, where a great number are caught each year, not because of their nuisance value, but because of the high prices obtainable for pelts. Over a series of years many mill ons have been exported and as prices continue to rise, it has been found necessary to protect the animals by law to prevent their being wiped out. This shows that they can be easily controlled, and that any possibility of their becoming a menace is remote. But until 15 years ago Danish authorities prohibited the import of nutria, their anxiety no doubt being caused by their identification of the nutria and the muskrat, a very different proposition, so that tales of havoc reported of the one were attributed to the other as well.

The first nutria came into Denmark from Sweden, and were of very mixed quality. The war, owing to the lack of clothing, gave a stimulus to their farming, but very little trouble was taken to see that good quality pelts were produced, as it was profitable to produce everything. Much has been done to improve the quality and to-day very few third-class furs are presented to buyers. Nearly all furs are sold raw and dried, and in the past season prices up to 90 sh. have been paid. In Denmark we have never heard of nutria weighing 39 pounds. Their average weight is about 13-14 pounds for full-grown animals, and they give a pelt of about 35 inches long, which is judged a large one. The smallest size for pelting animals is a weight of about 9 pounds, with 27-28-inch pelt. Some of the biggest pelts seen in this country (and these I am sure are extraordinary) were 45 inches in length, and from animals weighing a little more than 20 pounds.

Many different types of fencing have been tried in this country during recent years, with varying degrees of success, but experience has shown that the portable cage is, for the most part, superior to anything else. The nutria farmer of to-day is no longer liable to great



1.—A NUTRIA, OR COYPU, A SOUTH AMERICAN RODENT FARMED IN DENMARK AND ELSEWHERE FOR THE SAKE OF ITS FUR AND FLESH

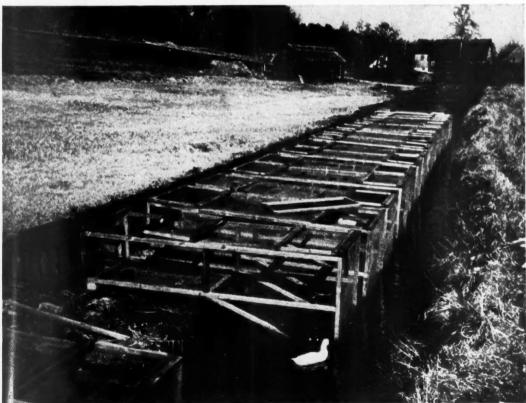
expenditure in the course of experiments. The cage has been tested thoroughly for years. It allows easy access to water, is handy and easy to keep clean. It is practical and, an important factor, long-lasting. I have used some of my cages and nest-boxes for more than 13 years in

succession and have had to exchange the wire net bottom only a couple of times.

Fig. 3 shows what is considered the ideal cage and nest-box. Where there is a spring and other conditions are favourable, a perhaps still better model can be used (Fig. 2).

Keeping nutria in these cages is one of the reasons why it is possible to keep them at a low price, and with the highest possible security. If cage and nest-box are estimated to last for only 10 years, the cost per year will not exceed 15 sh. And it is possible to grow a litter of up to 8 young to full pelting size together in one cage, as the animals love to be together, males and females in unison.

Denmark has for some years been the biggest producer of farmed nutria, and many difficulties had to be overcome to obtain a quality of fur really worth while. It is not an easy matter for the beginner to value the fur of a live nutria, and many odd methods have been recommended. Mr. Savory mentions that he lost a number of pelts because the milk teats of the nutria are placed along the sides of its back, as shown in Fig. 4. This will hardly spoin the skin of a male. Another fact worthy of mention is that the most valuable part of the fur is on the belly and therefore must never be cut open there. The pelt of



2—PORTABLE CAGES FOR HOUSING A NUTRIA COLONY IN A BROOK—AN IDEAL SITUATION

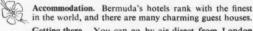


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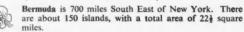


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the nutria consists of two kinds of fur, the coarse guard fur, and the underfur, constituting the actual fur. This underfur consists of very fine, rather dense, woolly hair with beautiful lustre and of a warm brown to almost bluish-black colour, with a faintly violet tinge.

As the Germans were the only people who dressed nutria before the war, many difficulties had to be overcome by the firms who took up this job and many pelts were spoiled in the effort of finding a thods to compare with that of the Germans. Now not only Danish ms, but Swedish, British and verican dressers do it well, which ans that still better prices are the dors of the pelts.

When one wants to examine pelt of a live animal one puts nead first into a 6 in. wide in-pipe, so that it will be quiet, above all not bite. It is then to feel and see how thick and at colour the pelt is, although urally one cannot expect to be expert at once. Valuing of live ria fur requires much experie, and exhibitions of live animals e not been of much success this country. Another reason hat the animals usually, and n most success, are raised in rs, whereby male and female are manently in the same cage. ecial trained valuers visited farms 1 sorted out the best animals breeding and helped the farmers

to get some experience themselves. To use a nule for several females is possible, but difficult and insecure. The animals are "family-minded," and successful polygamy is seldom board of

Caring for the young does not entail any work. They have eyes, hair and teeth when born, and are very hardy. Like ducklings, they can swim from their first day, though they usually stay in their nest-box for a couple of days before they start, and it is quite a sight to watch them try in vain to dive, as their pelts are so thick that they float like corks. Nutria are usually very fertile, some unusually so. A single female gave birth to 27 young in the course of 11 months and one week, though the usual gestation period is 130 days. In Denmark two litters a year, each of 4-5 young, are normal.

As stated by Mr. Savory, the animals are



3.—THE TYPE OF CAGE AND NEST-BOX USED BY THE AUTHOR IN DENMARK

on the whole very peaceable, but some of them easily become nervous, and if they find it necessary, defend themselves in their only way, by biting. Usually they may be handled (with a little practice) at one's pleasure, and they are easily tamed. Precaution in handling them is unnecessary except when one is examining the pelt, and then only because most animals dislike lying quietly on their backs.

The sort of food to give them is much the

The sort of food to give them is much the same as that for rabbits, with a little more grain fodder, and so is both cheap and easily procured. For the farmer who grows the fodder himself the raising of nutria is extraordinarily profitable. They must have access to fresh good bathing water. Most creeks, a spring, or the shore of a small lake can be used, and one must only be certain of the water supply and that the cages cannot be flooded. It is sometimes necessary

to stem the water and lead it into a canal, where there is any risk of flooding.

The best times for pelting are the months September to January, though this depends on the quality of the fodder. The animals are killed by a shot of a small gun or a saloon rifle right through the head. They can also be easily killed by the blow of a small hammer on the forehead, and die instantly. The pelt is pulled off without ripping it open, together with the skin of the head, as this is required. It is most important that the placing of the pelt on the form board be done properly-stretched a little and of equal length on back and front. One of the peculiarities of nutria fur is that it keeps the shape in which it is dried. The pelts must be dried in a well-ventilated room, at 60-70° For for a few days. It is important, too, that the pelt be carefully scraped of fats and other remains before drying. A well-dried pelt can be kept for years, and pelts must never be turned with the hairy side out, as buyers are not very willing to buy them in that state. As one is sure, and the buyer, too, to want to examine the fur when dried, one should cut it open with a sharp knife from between the eyes exactly through the whole length of the back line, which can be seen on the dried pelt.

One of the problems occurring in the early development of this industry in Denmark was the

industry in Denmark was the finding of a buyer who was really able to judge and estimate the merits of raw nutria, and was honest as well. The uncertain traditions of this side of the industry in Argentina were very different from those to which we had grown accustomed. Dealers from the U.S.A. wanted to buy the uncut raw pelts, using only their sense of feel in the valuing. This method may be satisfactory where very large quantities are involved, though it may mean that one is underpaid on good quality pelts, and correspondingly overpaid on the bad ones. But nutria farmers in Denmark are now producing a pelt of quality, often exceeding the best from Argentina, and therefore are allowed to insist on a fair valuation of every pelt, as of all other valuable furs. Many fur dealers, however, prefer to maintain customs long ago outlived, in the hope of making a greater profit, little

realising that by their actions they are condoning a low standard of quality, when by adopting new methods they would encourage the raising of a higher quality fur and maintain a standard which would be very much to their own good in the long run.

Valuing naturally requires long experience if it is to be done well, but it is not more difficult than the grading of most other furs. The most practical course for the breeder is to sell the pelts raw, as it is the fur dealers' job to have them dressed and sorted properly. There are still many fur dealers here who adhere to the old-fashioned Argentinian methods of buying pelts according to size instead of quality. Gradually, however, they are learning.

Nutria farming is not only, to use Mr. Savory's words, "a pleasant job" but, especially when breeding animals are of high quality, a lucrative one as well, for on both home and dollar markets demand is greater than production. Moreover, it does not entail the heavy back-breaking work of other types of farming. Its routine is such that it is ideally suited for those whose activities are necessarily restricted, either through age, or perhaps disability, and is an admirable occupation of some worth to anyone who is being trehabilitated.



4 —"THE MILK TEATS OF THE NUTRIA ARE PLACED ALONG THE SIDES OF ITS BACK"

NEW CARS DESCRIBED

THE ROVER 75 \Rightarrow By J. EASON GIBSON

which was very high among discerning motorists before the war, was increased during the war owing to their almost unfailing reliability in a period when spares and expert service were hard to come by. At last year's Motor Show, the Rover Company exhibited the model now under review, the Rover 75, which I have only recently subjected to an extensive test. This new model has been developed gradually: in 1948 an entirely new chassis featuring independent front suspension was produced, and to an improved form of this chassis modern full-width coach-work has now been fitted. This coach-work has been the subject of some discussion among the more conservative of Rover enthusiasts, but the advantages gained appear to outweigh any purely aesthetical disadvantage.

The six-cylinder two-litre engine is unusual in that it employs an aluminium cylinder head. In this the overhead inlet valves are carried, while the exhaust valves, which are placed on the side of the engine, are angularly mounted. This unusual method gives a combustion chamber of remarkable efficiency. The engine gives 75 brake-horse-power at 4,200 r.p.m., and the gearing used permits the theoretically reliable cruising speed to be 65.5 m.p.h. An exceptionally large air cleaner and silencer is fitted to the carb.irettor intake and owing to the high mounting of all major components on the engine accessibility is above average.

The chassis frame employs welded box-section side members which are braced against torsional stresses by cross members also of box section. The suspension is independent at the front, by means of helical springs; the rear suspension is by laminated semi-elliptic springs which are packed with lubricant and enclosed in gaiters. At both front and rear it is assisted by telescopic hydraulic dampers. The brakes are of hydro-mechanical type, in which the front pair are hydraulically operated and of the two-leading-shoe type, while the rear ones are worked mechanically. As on pre-war Rovers, a free-wheel unit forms an integral part of the gear-box and is worked by a control mounted on the dash-board. A divided propeller shaft is used from the gear-box to the back axle, which has the advantage of reducing the usual propeller-shaft tunnel to almost unnoticeable dimensions.

A practical telescopic jack is provided, which fits into sockets on the side of the car and enables it to be jacked up without one's having to grovel in the road. The petrol filler cap is concealed by a spring loaded flap on the near-side rear mudguard, and this can be locked from inside the luggage boot. The use of independent front suspension having permitted the engine to be mounted very far forward, it has been

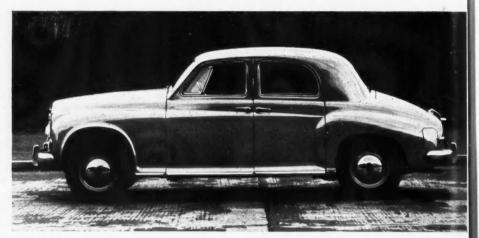
possible for the entire passenger load to be placed almost centrally in the car; in fact, the front of the rear seat squab is well in front of the leading edge of the rear wheels, which has the effect of greatly increasing the comfort in the rear seat and reducing pitching over uneven road surfaces.

The body-work in its latest form has very clean and distinctive lines and the designers are to be congratulated on the lack of ornamentation, although some people regret the rather trans-Atlantic appearance of the front. Like many modern cars, the Rover 75 gives the impression of being much smaller than it is, and one is surprised on opening the doors to find how roomy the interior is. Owing to the forward placing of both engine and the passenger load, it has not been necessary to shape the rear door in any way and this gives not only greater convenience to people entering or leaving the rear seat, but also greater strength to the door hinges and the body-work generally. It is possible to carry three abreast on both front and rear seats, and with the central arm-rests brought into use very comfortable seating is provided for four. Arm-rests are also provided on both front and rear doors, and as the rear

too obvious in its quality right away. The second feature which impresses one is the silence of the car; and while the theoretical cruising spee i 65.5 m.p.h., the ordinary motorist driving this model would be hard put to it to select the 10ad speed at which it appears happiest, as at alrios any speed from a mere crawl to its maximum to over 80 m.p.h. the car at no time gives the impression of being pressed. Owing to the use of a relatively high top-gear ratio, which in i sel helps to give effortless high-speed cruising, the low-speed acceleration on top gear is no a sparkling as one might expect from a ca developing 75 brake-horse-power. Howeve; fast driver will be fully prepared to take advantage of the high third gear for maxin um acceleration, while the more leisurely driver will be more than contented with the performance provided on top gear.

The now old-fashioned technique of double

The now old-fashioned technique of double de-clutching is required when changing into second gear unless, of course, the free wheel is in use, which permits any forward gear to be engaged as soon as the accelerator is released. The steering-column-mounted gear lever is not good enough for the rest of the car; difficulty was experienced owing to its jamming now and



THE ROVER 75. Features of special interest are that the passenger load is carried between the wheel centres and, owing to the forward mounting of the engine, the luggage boot overhang has been reduced to a minimum

seat is mounted in front of the wheel arch, there is no interference from these rear arm-rests when three are sitting abreast.

Even the most cursory examination of the car reveals that considerable thought has been given to providing those little features that, taken together, produce pride of ownership. The interior lighting is exceptionally well arranged, with a concealed light above the instrument panel for map reading and a reading light in each rear quarter. Apart from their own independent switches, all three lights are coupled to switches operated by the doors. A small point which will be appreciated by the family man is a special lock on the rear doors, which makes it impossible for children to open them when the car is in motion. A most efficient fresh air heater is fitted, which provides separate de-misting of the screen with either hot or cold In the interests of silence, the circulating fan in this heating plant is fitted on the engine side of the bulkhead. Another excellent feature is the elimination of greasing points throughout the car, with the exception of three nipples on the propeller shaft, which in any case require attention only at intervals of 6,000 miles. The luggage locker suffers in capacity because it houses the spare wheel, but a good point is that it is secured with a different key from that used for the ignition, so that it is possible to leave the car in public places in a drivable condition, but with one's luggage secure from pilfering.

One's immediate impression on starting to drive the Rover is of the success with which the designers have produced a really balanced design, for no single feature of the car appears then. The springing is exceptionally soft and provides a most comfortable ride, and on the other hand the car is completely free from pitch and roll and both slow and fast corners can be taken at speeds approaching the limit without the passengers being in any way upset.

the passengers being in any way upset. The brakes are very light in operation and give good braking either under conditions requiring a slight slowing down or in an extreme emergency stop. The hand-brake lever is be the easy to operate and adequately powerful, and does not in any way impede entry to and ε it

from the driving seat.

In view of the great interest taken in this new Rover model I subjected it to a road that so longer than normal in an effort to discover faults. In addition to about 200 miles' motoring at speeds and in circumstances likely to be the second and experienced by the average purchase of such a car I covered 400 miles, as far as British road conditions would permit driving to the limit, and not only was the car as smooth and silent at the end of this trip as at the beginning but what is perhaps of even greater interest is that at the end of the test my impressions of the car were even more favourable than in the first few miles. With the free wheel in use the already good fuel consumption could be increased to 30 m.p.g.—an excellent figure.

In my opinion the advantages which the Rover Company have gained in this new model by the combination of the new engine, independent suspension and the roomier body will more than satisfy the expectations of motorists who had become accustomed to the high quality

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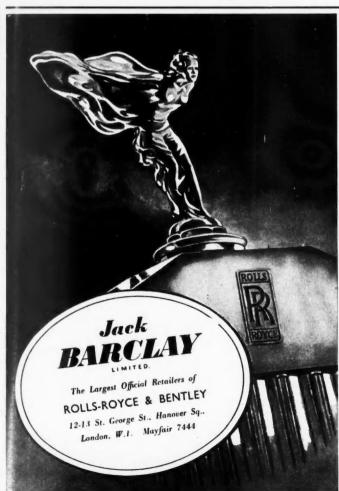


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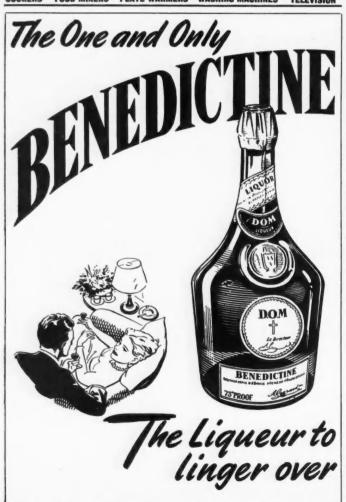


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HE tourists' Switzerland has been a familiar gallery of mountain, lake, hotel, and stereotyped ertisement for a century now and cultivated Englishman's Switzerand rather more select for a century or obsore that. But the Swiss are somemore than a people of guides and ers, and it is pertinent—though ular minds rather like taking an st in "native races" perhaps—
id out more about the hardng, intensely civilised and, in
of superficial observation, highly nite native beings who fill the spaces en Alps and holiday resorts.

his probably suggests something ociological or ethnographic than mor hn Russell provides in his just-hed Switzerland (Batsford, 15s.), has a ravishing "dust-cover hat variety of decorative and lative illustration which the infor of its publisher suggests. As the s decidedly out of the ordinary implest to describe it from the s point of view. He presents book auth 's point of view. He presents the findings of an enthusiast—an enthusiast who cannot rival indeed, does not envy) the nania of those who speak of reland with the memory of forty ty years of annual visits." illy, he is convinced that the two towists activity of today. it as but (and Swit Spat Spatially, he is convinced that the intersive tourist activity of to-day disrelards the most interesting parts of the country, and that it is always best to follow where affectionate prejudice is beckoning." That quality is characteristic both of Mr. Russell's choice of route and his choice of guides. choire of route and his choice of guides. He oves much to C. F. Ramuz, whom he quotes freely, and indeed, though he disclaims the fastidiousness of those who pass through Switzerland with averted eye, his chief enthusiasm appears to be reserved for the objects of certain other people's appreciation. appears to be reserved for the objects of certain other people's appreciation. Showing "the conventional distaste of sensitive persons for Alpine scenery," he gives us an agreeable transcript of Ramuz's feelings about the Valais, or gossips about James Joyce and the trans-Atlantic Europeanism of Henry lames

It is to be feared Mr. Russell does It is to be feared Mr. Russell does not enjoy the country about which he has chosen to write or the people whose culture he regards as the unexcited appreciation of everything that is generally accepted as good. But he certainly knows how to express his almost desperately unsentimental outlook on a country and people which the ageing monomaniacs of yesterday probably regarded with a simpler admiration and affection. H. V. B.

PENNINE DIVIDE

Now that the so-called Pennine Way, running north and south along the summits of the Range, is being established as a feature in the itinerary of long-distance ramblers, many more books will be written about the moors and fells which form the backbone of England. Mr. Herbert C. Collins, who in *The Roof of Lancashire* (Dent 15s.) has set an excellent example to others, complains that the sec-tion of the Pennine about which he writes has been too much ignored by topographical writers as being too near the coalfields of Lancashire and Yorkshire. It is, however, the tramping ground of millions of folk who live at the foot of the hills and though it is not all "pretty and nice," its thousands of acres of peak and rock give ample room to breathe clean air, and the old roads and tracks and border villages provide an admirable back-

ground for walking.

Mr. Collins also contends that the literature of Lancashire is strangely meagre compared with that of Yorkshire beyond the Pennine ridge, and he sets out to restore that balance, too. The district he covers extends fr. m the Oldham area to Colne and

Clitheroe with extensions southward in the Manchester direction and north-ward towards Lancaster. He finds a ward towards Lancaster. He finds a lot of justifiable excitement about the old roads which concentrate on Lancaster, Whalley, Ribchester and Clitheroe. These were the important towns of Roman and pre-industrial days. When steam-power and the turnpike arrived the narrow cart and packhorse tracks of the hills were left to their own devices. "We can spend many a pleasant day," he writes, "finding those old tracks on the roof of Lancashire. Here and there is a weather-worn milestone, a packhorse bridge or 'causeys.' We can link them up again and follow them over bridge or 'causeys.' We can link them up again and follow them over

only is it to produce a genuine compendium of information, but to be "entirely suitable for the young reader." This may sound not too difficult in these days when compared with those days of Aunt Easy and Mrs. Markham's Conversations for Children. Those sectionable ledies held. to be severely edifying as well as informative and the taboos of their informative and the taboos of their period would have disqualified many of the articles—not to mention illustrations—that will be found in the Oxford Junior Encyclopaedia. The chief difficulties are not of that kind, however. Let us mention a few of the real cone; to be alter and simple real ones: to be clear and simple without any "writing down to chil-dren," to avoid the alternatives of heavy technicality and glib evasion, to be logical without being dull.

These are aims, no doubt, which

SION, THE TWIN HILLS OF TOURBILLON AND VALÈRE: an illustration in Switzerland by John Russell, reviewed on this page

the hills from village to village, and from town to town." Mr. Collins has written a most useful as well as inspiring book, well furnished with maps, and illustrated—as well as decorated—with an excellent collection of photographic reproductions and the revealing black-and-white of Mr. H. Harte. R. I. R. J.

AUNT EASY'S MODERN DIVERSIONS

AMONG the enormous variety of illustrations which adorn the pages of the Oxford Junior Encyclopaedia, Vol. IX (Recreations)—30s. paedia, Vol. IX (Recreations)—30s.—30s.—is a charming engraving from a 19th-century "book of games" which went by the delightful name of Aunt Easy's Mirthful Moments. Perhaps it is a little frivolous to convey the title to so solid and exhaustive an enterprise as that of Mrs. Laura E. Salt and herelleaves as that of Mrs. Laura E. Salt and herelleaves as the salt a as that of Mrs. Laura E. Sait and her colleagues, or to a volume designed to provide "a basic book of reference for school libraries." But it may serve to remind the reader that the aim of the Junior Encyclopaedia is twofold. Not

most serious writers set before them most serious writers set before them whatever their subject, but they are more than ever necessary—and more than normally difficult—in writing for that junior public which the delegates of the Oxford University Press have in view. This is, of course, in no corresponding the control of the c nave in view. This is, of course, in no sense intended as a review of the Encyclopaedia as a whole. The volumes are being issued separately according to a plan which allocates only one volume out of twelve to Recreation, but the odds probably are that it will prove the most popular. The list of contributors thereby no are that it will prove the most popular. The list of contributors—though no indication is given of the authorship of particular articles—is sufficient to show that they write with authority on their own subjects. Some of the articles on outdoor games and sports are masterpieces of compression and, while the control of the state of the compression and the state of the while nobody could doubt that those who write about cricket, Rugby and who write about cricket, Rugby and Association football, fox-hunting and horse-racing have their subjects at their finger-tips, it is equally evident that more recondite or exotic games have been handled by experts.

same applies to the admirable series

same applies to the admirable series of articles on collecting, that favourite occupation of so many young people. It covers not only such obvious hobbies as stamp collecting, flower collecting, butterfly and moth collecting, but coin collecting, autograph collecting and book collecting.

A great deal of the success of earlier books of general information for young people was due to the multiplicity of well-chosen illustrations. The Oxford Press have gone one better than their predecessors, for their plan has allowed them to produce a veritable picture-book which is bound to have a wide appeal outside the school library. A rapid glance through the volume will show the pains taken to bring up to date the usually conveyed information about theatre, dance and concert and their allied arts and techniques. Television gets three pages (with an admirable person of a studie at Alexandra Palace) gets three pages (with an admirable view of a studio at Alexandra Palace). view of a studio at Alexandra Palace). Broadcasting gets eight pages, covering programmes and commentaries. The section dealing with the history of dancing and ballet makes fascinating reading for any intelligent public. Naturally the art of the film is not neglected and the 25 columns of text and illustrations provide a really text and illustrations provide a really "basic" introduction to it.

The finely illustrated section on card games would no doubt have shocked Aunt Easy and her contemshocked Aunt Easy and her contemporaries, and what would they have said of articles on casinos, gambling, lottery and football pools? These are, however, objective enough to please the hearts of the Royal Commission on the Betting Jaws, and young people will no doubt be able to draw the proper morals from the facts adduced. In conclusion, perhaps one may be allowed to complain gently of a single omission. The section on National Parks ueals to complain gently of a single omission. The section on National Parks ueals only with the types encountered in America and the Dominions and Colonies. A specific reference to our own very different project and to recent legislation might not have been a bad thing. Fortunately one need not be an encyclopaedist to criticise an encyclopaedia. EDMUND BARBER.

BIRDS HERE AND THERE

M. E. W. HENDY is, to quote
his own words, an Autolycus
among birds, always on the look out
for anything that may turn up. In
More About Birds (Eyre and Spottiswoode, 12s. 6d.) he gives us further woode, 12s. Oc.) he gives us further fruits of his sharp eye and enquiring mind. His approach to birds is æsthetic rather than scientific (he has several characteristic digs in this book at scientists and the inability of some of them to see the wood for the trees), but he is no mere sentimentalist.

More About Birds contains, in addition to examples of the close observation and happy description that make him one of the most readable of our writers about birds, notably in the accounts of the storm petrels and shearwaters of Skokholm and the gannets of Ailsa Craig, chapters on the effect of the blizzards of 1945 and 1947 on bird life in the Exmoor district, a short account of the books on birds that he has found most useful or readable, a dissertation on the local names of birds an appreciation of Richard ries. C. D. Jefferies.

A YEAR'S BEST PHOTOGRAPHS

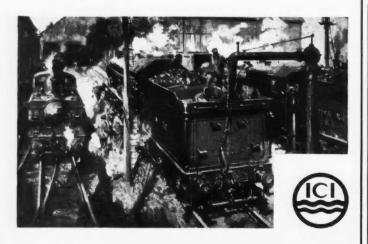
PHOTOGRAPHS

RARELY, if ever, has a finer collection of photographs been published than that contained in U.S. Camera Annual, 1950: International Edition, edited by Tom Maloney (U.S. Camera Publishing Corporation, \$6:50). These pictures (350 pages of them) are not only representative of the best work of photographers the world over in portraiture, landscape and so on during 1949; they form an interesting record of some of the outstanding personalities and major standing personalities and major events of that and previous years as seen by the eye of the camera.

Water Treatment

Some industrial processes can only be carried out with soft water and industries such as dyeing and bleaching first became established in those areas in which the water is naturally soft. Nowadays, the chemist can make water suitable for almost any purpose. The origin of water treatment may be traced back to a Scots doctor. Thomas Clark, who discovered in the first half of the last century that certain types of hard water could be softened by adding lime; "Clark's method" is still the basis of the lime-soda water treatment process which is widely used in industry today. Since Clark's pioneer work, many other chemicals have been produced for the treatment of water. In 1938, for example, two British chemists, Adams and Holmes, discovered the value of synthetic resins for treating water to be used in certain industrial processes -where a water of high purity, comparable with that of distilled water, is required.

One of the greatest, but least known, achievements of the British chemical industry is to treat, every day, thousands of millions of gallons of water used in textile processes, laundries and boilers-an achievement which saves the community many millions of pounds annually. British Railways treat between fifty and one hundred million gallons of water a day in order to maintain their locomotive boilers in sound condition and free from scale. The British chemical industry also provides the housewife with soda crystals and similar alkalis which form the basis of domestic bath salts and water softening compounds.









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A TRICKY HARVEST

this will be a difficult harvest for many farmers, especially East Anglia. The worst patches are ready being cut with hook and ythe so as to clear the way for the inders and combines, but unless we et a spell of fine weather holding August, harvest will be a slow . In dry weather the combine pick-up reel fitted in front will with laid corn better than will leal with laid corn better than will he binder, but no one wants to delay harvest by tackling the awkward bieces until the straightforward work has be n done. I am assured by my form rechant that he has the promise of the Ministry of Food to take all wheat straight into the Ministry's silos where the profile without delay and if of th or into the mills without delay, and if this undertaking holds good in prac-tice it will be a boon to many farmers will be a boon to many farmers his season have an extra large acreage. The price of £28 a ton course been the attraction.

I must confess that my acreage wheat Indee I I must confess that my acreage of oa's has been kept to a bare minimum and a good yield is needed to provi e enough for the cows and calves through next winter. Oats are also a valuable stand-by feed for hens and nuch preferable to barley for this purpe e. Farmers can hope that the maltisers and brewers will buy more readil; this autumn, as they are now allow d to brew stronger beer. The acrea e of barley as well as oats has, I suspect, been reduced in most dis-Indee acreage of barley as well as oats has, I suspect, been reduced in most districts, so good malting samples should find a ready market. There are more pigs in the country that will consume more barley, but most of us who take a pride in what we produce like to sell some barley for malting. I fancy that there will be some surplus of potatoes from this year's crop. It has been a good growing season for potatoes and probably there will be some to spare for the pigs. The sugar-beet has given remarkable growth and, however the sugar content works out, there will sugar content works out, there will certainly be a heavy bulk of beet tops certainly be a neavy bulk of beet tops for the dairy cows to carry them through October and November. Then we shall go on to the kale and after Christmas their fodder will be mainly slage. An extra big tonnage of pit slage has been made this year and most of us have, I think, by now got the knack of making good-quality. the knack of making good-quality stuff that will please the cows.

Attested Herds

FROM October 1 next, when the revised Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme comes into operation, the T.T. quality premium of 4d. a gallon now earned by owners of attested dairy herds will be changed to an attestation bonus at the rate of 2d. a gallon of milk sold for the next four years and 1d. a gallon for a further two years. There will also be a premium on T.T. milk in recognition of its superior hygienic quality, and for this a minimum of 2d. a gallon will be paid from October next till March, 1954. So most dairy farmers who have attested herds will continue to receive a total of 4d. a gallon more than the price of ordinary milk, anyway until 1954. It may be that it will suit farmers to take the alternative of £2 a head for all the cattle in their herds for the next four years and £1 a head for the two following years. The decision will depend on the cattle other than dairy cows which the farmer carries. He may be concerned largely with the production of attested down-calving heifers or he may have an attested beef herd. In these circumstances it will probably pay him to take the £2 a head rather than the 4d. a gallon. This widening of the scheme to include cattle other than da'y cows is an essential part of the programme for establishing clean ar as where none but attested cattle ca be kept. Several districts of Sc tland and Wales already have a

high proportion of attested cattle and they will no doubt be the first clean areas. There it is a black mark to any local farmer who brings any nonattested stock.

Shorthorns

WITH satisfaction the Shorthorn Society announces that 69 Scottish Shorthorns and 10 Dairy Shorthorns have been exported during the last three months. Canada took 35 and others went to Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Denmark, Kenya, New Zealand, Uruguay and the United States. The Society now has a membership of 7,363, having lately elected 116 new members. Their enthusiasm has led to a request that the Royal Highland Society should include classes for Dairy Shorthorns at next year's show at Aberdeen. If the Dairy Shorthorn breeders can make as good a display as they did at the Royal Show at Oxford this year they will impress the farmers of the north-east of Scotland. It will be good for them to see that there are good dairy cattle as well as the Ayrshires which are Scotland's pride. Scottish farmers have kept to single-purpose breeds, such as the Ayrshire for milk and the Aberdeen Angus for beef. But they may yet be persuaded that there is a good case for the dual-purpose breed which in skilled hands will produce very respectable dairy cows any beef animals that satisfy the butcher, even if they rarely touch the super-quality attained by the specialised beef breeds. It is a loss to the owner of commercial Ayrshire cows that he has no use for the bull calves.

Milk Output

MR. HAROLD WOOLLEY, the deputy President of the N.F.U., forecasts that supplies of milk will continue to rise for the next few years, chiefly as a result of further increases in the average yield. The campaign for improved feeding practice goes on and the full effects of long-term breeding programmes have not yet been felt. The most recent estimate of the average yield per cow in dairy herds is 625 gallons. With greater specialisation on dairying and improved technique in feeding and breeding this may well rise further. I would hazard a guess that if we can get better quality feeding-stuffs as well, the average milk yield should be at least 700 gallons in five years' time. Mr. Woolley urged that the momentum in milk production should be maintained with efficiency as its mainspring. It would do great harm if the confidence of farmers were shaken by any short-sighted policy of trying to discourage production in a branch of agriculture which has so eminently succeeded in meeting the demands made upon it. Agriculture is not an industry which can rapidly be switched about. Striking adjustments can be made, as was done during the war, but the long-term pattern must be shaped on the same lines. This is sound commonsense. It needs to be matched now by a forward marketing policy. The Milk Marketing Board must again be allowed to develop outlets for milk which will give the best returns; for instance, the processing of milk for chocolate. We have seen Eire take from under our noses a large condensary for milk chocolate. That factory is needed here. There was a vast and profitable market tor cream before the war. We ought to be ready to develop this just as soon as the need for using so much summer milk for butter and cheese manufacture becomes less pressing. A milk standard or ice-cream should also be prescribed as part of a progressive policy to encourage the public to buy more milk chocolate, more cream and better ice-cream.

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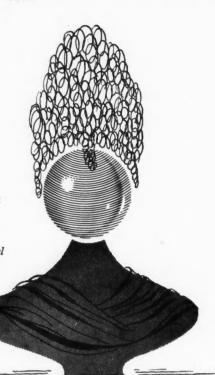
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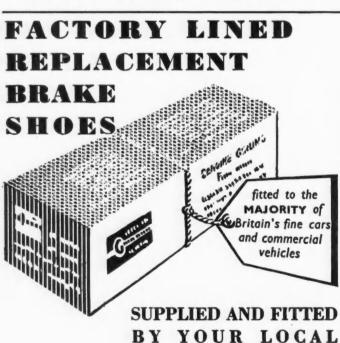
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THE ESTATE MARKET

PURCHASE ORDER PPEAL

appeal, the outcome of which has done much to clarify the legal interpretation of the Central Land Board's insistence that land should change hands only at its "existing use" value, was heard in the King's Bench Division last week. appeal was by Lord Fitzwilliams' atworth Estates Company against mpulsory purchase order made by Board under the Town and Country ming Act in respect of land in rlow Lane, Sheffield, required for building of a house. Counsel for the Company sub-ed that the order had been made

use the Company had refused to cribe to the Board's policy, and rther submitted that for owners e compelled to sell or lease land he Board's terms constituted a as restriction of the common law to sub-contract freely. The rney-General, on the other hand, ended that the Board's powers been properly exercised and that decision of the Board, and that

e Minister, could not be impugned. Mr. Justice Birkett, rejecting the ul, said that the wording of the al, said that the wording of the te was wide enough to allow the d to acquire the Company's land a purpose of disposing of it for pment. He did not think that widence would justify his drawhe inference that the order had the company." Bo made "to punish the Company." Board had had before it Sheffield Council's view that it was in the content that had below that it was in the content that the land should made immediately available for sing, and the Company's proposals likely to impede or prevent that

LAKE DISTRICT FARMS FOR NATIONAL TRUST

HE Rev. H. H. Symonds's THE Rev. H. H. Symonds's recent gift to the National Trust of 900 acres, made up of five farms in the Duddon Valley and land in Borrowdale, Cumberland, makes a valuable contribution towards the preservation of the Lake District. The farms lie on either side of the River Duddon, which rises on Wrynose and flows for twenty miles south-west along the borders of Cumberland and Lancashire until it meets the Irish Sea near Broughton in Furness. near Broughton in Furness.

Two of the farms, those of Browside and Thrang, are on the Lancashire side of the valley and their acquisition means that, with a few minor breaks, the Trust now own or control the whole of this side of the river from the Three Shire Stones to Seathwaite Bridge, including the famous cascade known as Tarn Beck. The other three farms are on the Cumberland side of the river and extend the Trust's the river and extend the Trust's ownership to a new part of the Valley. Brighouse Farm, which is illustrated on page 435 of this issue, and Hazel Head Farm are where Birker Moor slopes down to the river, and Pike Side Farm stands 900 ft. up above Holehouse Gill, whence it looks out across Duddon Sands.

The land in Borrowdale known

The land in Borrowdale, known as Banks Intake, lies on the eastern side of Langstrath Beck and includes the well-known Sergeant Crag. It adjoins land on the other side of the Beck already owned by the Trust and is crossed by the ancient bridle road that runs from Borrowdale, over the Stake, to Langdale.

LANCASHIRE ESTATE SOLD FOR £100,000

MORE than £100,000 has been realised as result of the sale of Captain P. A. Tatton's Cuerden estate, agricultural property of 1,739 acres buated between Preston and Chorley, ancashire. Of the 32 farms and mallholdings that comprise the estate, were sold to tenants in advance of auction, and the remainder at the auc-

Messrs, John D. Wood and Co.

A large number of people attended the recent sale of the Trefeilyr estate, the recent sale of the Trefeilyr estate, Bordorgan, Anglesey, which was held by auction at Llangefni by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley and Messrs. John Pritchard and Co. The property extends to 826 acres and a total of £31,000 was realised for the estate, every lot being disposed of either before or at the auction. Trefeilyr House was bought by Colonel A. T. Smail, of Henblas, a former High Sheriff of Anglesey, who also bought Sheriff of Anglesey, who also bought seven of the farms.

SIR ADRIAN BOULT SELLS HOUSE

ACTING on instructions from Sir Adrian Boult, Messrs. Fox and Sons have sold Northlands and 136 acres at Landford, near Salisbury, for £17,700, an average of just over £130 an acre. The new owner is the Hon. Peter Pleydell-Bouverie, who owns the adjoining estate.

The same agents have also sold Forest Lodge and 102 acres at Hythe, Kent, for the trustees of the late Mr. John Fleuret, an uncle of the late Mr. A. H. Fleuret, the senior partner of Messrs. Fleuret, Haxall, Marks and Barley, which firm was also associated in the sale.

At a recent auction in Devon At a recent auction in Devon various properties in and around the villages of Buckerell and Awliscombe, near Honiton, were sold by Messrs. W. R. J. Greenslade and Co. for a total of £17,320. The principal lot sold, Hembury Fort Farm, Buckerell, a dairy holding of 138 acres, realised £13,000. £13,000.

Another Devon auction saw the disposal of portions of the Stuckeridge estate, near Bampton, by Messrs. disposal of portions of the Stuckeridge estate, near Bampton, by Messrs. Jackson-Stops and Staff's Yeovil office. Among the lots sold were a thatched cottage with 400 yards of fishing on the River Exe, for £1,400.

LINTON ESTATE FOR AUCTION

ON September 2, at the Lion Hotel, Cambridge, Mr. Norman J. Hodgkinson (Messrs. Bidwell and Sons) will go to auction with two con-Sons) will go to auction with two contrasting properties. One is the Linton estate, an agricultural property of 1,762 acres situated approximately mid-way between Cambridge and Haverhill, Suffolk. Linton includes three large farms of 918 acres, 501 acres and 286 acres respectively, all let to families who have been farmers in the district for a long time. The chief feature of the estate is that it particular feature of the estate is that it particularly lends itself to arable cultivation on modern mechanised principles and it is being farmed on these lines to-day. The sale is by order of the executors of the late Ernest V. Wilkin.

The second property to be sub-mitted by Mr. Hodgkinson is Warren mitted by Mr. Hodgkinson is Warren Tower, a large house situated just outside Newmarket. Warren Tower was once part of a much larger property that belonged to Mr. S. H. Darling, the race-horse trainer. He sold it to the late Lady Ludlow with six acres, retaining the rest of the land, on which he built the Warren Place training establishment, which he later sold to the Maharajah of Baroda. Lady Ludlow sold Warren Tower to Maud, Countess Fitzwilliam, by whose direc-Countess Fitzwilliam, by whose direction it is to be submitted next month.

Later next month, unless sold rivately meanwhile, Messrs. Jackson-Stops and Staff will go to auction with the Chute Lodge estate, on the borders of Hampshire and Wiltshire, near Andover. The property extends to 755 acres and includes a large Georgian house adapted for use as a school, two farms, woodland and numerous cottages. Procurator.



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NEW BOOKS

A COLLECTOR OF CHILDREN

Reviews by GEOFFREY GRIGSON

E are not very good at the fantastic, or at least the delicately fantastic. With us it turns to the whimsical, too often. Elves are wicked, but we have created elfins, horrible things which now are to be found in painted concrete by those bird-baths in herb-gardens which might be called the spiritual antithesis in our lives to what Wyndham Lewis once named, in a phrase never-to-be-forgotten, the "scarecrows of an advanced fool-farm." Anyway, the elfin spirit of Sir James Barrie floats with us still or comes to rest by the bird-bath in those concrete mannikins

unexpected cry or sob, ready to pl mge into disgusting stairways, and he carried a heavy revolver in one pc cket as well as a torch which cast a slarp, icy illumination. And then, just as he was going down the rue Cersier, what should he hear but a small regular sobbing from an open win low. He studied the matter carefully, and perceived that the sound came from a fourth floor room. After climbing so high with the utmost precaution he had found half open the door of as apartment on a landing which might or might not—so great was his emotion—have been the fourth.

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THE COLONEL'S CHILDREN.

By Jules Supervielle. Translated by Alan Pryce-Jones (Secker and Warburg, 8s. 6d.)

ROLLING DOWN THE LEA. By Oliver St. John Gogarty
(Constable, 15s.)

or girlikins. That is one reason for being glad of the translation of *The Colonel's Children* (Secker and Warburg, 8s. 6d.), by the French poet and novelist Jules Supervielle. We have not been given the chance to know this writer as we should; and I think this book by him will stay in the mind more than a few minutes. It will bear reading more than once, or twice

IN PARIS AND LONDON

The translation by Mr. Alan Pryce-Jones reads as though the novel had been written in our own language. Yet why did he call it The Colonel's Children? That is misleading. You are not to expect a novel about the children of a retired colonel of the Royal Engineers in a country manorhouse. He is not that kind of Colonel at all. In fact the novelist called his novel Le Voleur d'Enfants. The Colonel stole his children, he stole them in Paris and elsewhere. The English title is bloodless, the French title agrees with that quality which all delicate fantasies must have if they are going to be good. The fanciful must be presented with just enough ruthlessness of observed fact, the tenderness has to have its element of toughness. This Colonel is a South American, in exile in Paris. He loves children.

Or does he? He loves at any rate being kind. He is rich. He can afford to give his stolen children what their parents either do not or cannot afford to give them. And so he steals them, one by one, ending, alas, with a girl, who is the cause—but it would not be fair to say what she is the cause of. One child was stolen on the streets of Paris, two more had been stolen in the London Zoo. And there was the boy Joseph. There was indeed, Joseph, now seventeen, in the next bedroom to the girl Marcelle.

As for the element of toughness, consider how Joseph had been acquired by Colonel Philemon Bigua:

"Bigua was walking through the quartier Mouffetard one day, in search of a child who needed rescuing. He was marching along, listening for an "He heard a groan, and advanced into a room where a child was lying in bed in high fever. Bed, mattress and blankets were all jumbled into one. Over the child's head and all about him hung a dozen or more rotten hams, suspended from the ceiling.

"Bigua pretended to be a doctor from the local hospital and spoke to the child for a moment or two with the utmost tenderness. All of a sudden, he felt cold particles of an unknown substance dropping on his head: he replaced his bowler hat and saw that his coat was covered with worms which had fallen out of the hams. As he discovered others which were wriggling over the child's bed, he caught up child, blankets and all in a single movement. As he left the room with his heavy feverish bundle he bumped his head violently against a ham which hung lower than the others. His car was waiting close by, in a dark corner."

A DAB AT MAKING CLOTHES

It is worth giving so long an extract. It shows you how M. Supervielle's translator translate, it shows how M. Supervielle imag s a man, a fantastic man (it is the Colonel who is the fantasia), and now he reveals him by admirable narrative. Of course the Colonel sa dab at making clothes on the se ing machine for his children! Of course he sits in a chair by his wife Desposoria reading a chapter in a look on the danger of premature wean agl

I found this novel refreshing not only after elfin fantasy alone but after the common habit of red-tick realism, simply because M. Supervelle has imagined a human oddity, a species of Don Quixote who has blundered out of the earlier time, out of the pre-history almost of South

America, into Europe.

In a preface, Mr. Pryce-Jones says something of the author, his methods and his meanings. He might have said more. But how right when he calls M. Supervielle's vision one "which perceives all kinds of surprising relationships between men

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his so He on that on An nd things. The things may speak and feel"! And, he goes on, "the angerous confines of whimsicality are rossed," but neither "crudely nor rohly." "Either as a fairy-story, a grable, or a poetic experiment the Voleur d'Enfants has found a remanent place in French literature." No wonder. I can only say the book intensifies that peculiar pecies of acute fantastical charm which is the being of so many of the etter French films. A basis of this harm is honesty of vision.

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What is right with M. Supervielle tha he is human. What is wrong ith Dr. Gogarty is that he thinks imsel human, whereas he is the nost inhuman and engaging of aconle ars. Rolling down the Lea Const ble, 15s.) is another of those utobi graphical gusts or jets of ossip; another of those books in ossip; another of those books in which Dr. Gogarty carries not a chip hole undivided log of chips on is shealder. How he hates all that has happened to Ireland! How he what is average in human hates beings I do not say you have to dmir that average, only it is better treat it with tenderness than with dislike. Dr. Gogarty is a snob. not my judgment, he says so That is

"I have never met anyone who confessed that he was a common person, though I cannot avoid meeting many who are champions of the common People. So it is hard to say whether or not I would like common eople whom I have never met. I have met one or two who have prefaced their remarks by 'speaking as a plain man'; and I will admit the role was appropriate. I don't know why ey choose plainness or what prevents them from admiring the As-cendancy, who comprise the best people I have met. I know that they are called 'the Best People,' but it is said derisively. Derision does not affect me (I sometimes deal in it myself). Being called a snob does not affect me; so I am quite eligible to admire the Best People."

A VICE-REGAL RECEPTION

There you are. Quite frank.
"I am quite satisfied, perhaps too
much so, with being myself." And
after one episode he says, "I never before realised the wisdom of 'Love your neighbours.'" No matter: writers, like readers (and reviewers), vary. None of them has all the light, and Dr. Gogarty flickers out a hard, witty, narrow light of peculiar intensity. It only shuts off when he becomes whimsical and sentimental; and it is only on such pages (there are not too many of them) that he be-comes a bore. But read him, fair or unfair, on a reception in the Vice-Regal Lodge. The New Ireland. Prime Minister is received by President (some while ago: the personnel has changed): "It was a miracle play like Everyman: but it had in addition another aspect of a miracle, the chief character, Bad Conscience (black soft hat and black double-breasted coat) was received by one of his own creatures in a black, tall hat. It was as if a medium were to shake hands with his own ectoplasm . . . Nobody asked into what Bad Conscience was received. Nobody asked how came it that, by shaking hands with himself, so to speak, an honour was bestowed on B. d Conscience."

is brilliant, in such bursts.

And Or. Gogarty is not satisfied. Off
again: "A gang of ignoramuses,
head d by a man who is cultureless,

cheerless, songless and alien in every way to the kindly Irish, undertook to compensate the people for their ruined heritage by a series of imitation English Punch-and-Judy shows." Not quite so good. But he says, out of Yeats, "Romantic Ireland's dead and gone." And that is his burden, that is the undivided log of innumerable chips. Perhaps Cromwell will have to be revived and reconquer Ireland to put Dr. Gogarty right. It would be a shame; it would mean no more such books.

DUBLIN NAMES .

He is in Dublin: "What names come to mind, names filling more than two centuries from the days of the gloomy Dean Swift, who left his money to found a lunatic asylum 'to show by one sarcastic touch no nation needed it so much,' to Mrs. Bernard Shaw, who left her money to teach manners

Mr. Howard Spring is on holiday and will resume his reviews of new books shortly.

to Irishmen; and some say (they would be in Dublin) that, in spite of all his acumen, the man for whom it was principally intended failed to see the sarcastic touch."

He looks at the saw-mill on the site of Lady Gregory's Coole Park, "the house that welcomed the greatest geniuses of their generation;" he looks round to the notices in Irish characters:

"There is as much spent on this attempt to spell English in Irish characters—Incoim Tax, Telephon and Phuist—as would clear the disgraceful slums of our towns and raise the standards of living to include cleanliness, health and self-respect; or to perpetuate, by the preservation of their homes, the glory of our great men."

THE FILMING OF AGINCOURT

Someone describes to him the filming of Agincourt in the Powers-court grounds.
"The English won every day and

"The English won every day and the people didn't like it. They began to blame the management." "What could they expect?

"What could they expect? Wasn't it an English company that was running Agincourt in Powerscourt?"

He thought that out, and reluctantly agreed that what they were staging had the backing of history.

"But that's the way it happened in the old days. The French got the hell of a beating. It must be true, for a nephew of mine who worked in the battle for a month on the French side—and didn't like it—got such a belting that he turned on the Englishman, a fellow be the name of Houlihan, and he sez to him, 'Houlihan,' sez he, 'Houlihan, get this into your head and under your helmet, and don't forget it: if ye larrup me on the last night the way ye have been doing up to this, I'll reverse history.' It's history all right. That's how I know."

He goes to Connemara in the train and talks with the ticket collector about the emigration to England.

"And why wouldn't they go?" asks the collector. "Good wages; and they don't have to be in before dark."

"But if this emigration goes on, what will become of the Irish Nation?" "I wouldn't mind that. There's plenty of English coming in; we are

plenty of English coming in; we are just exchanging populations."

The collector's last words, lightheartedly with a sigh:—"Never fear! They'll come back here to die. Ireland's a great burial-ground."

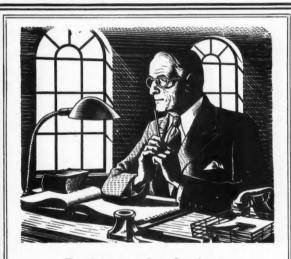
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Notes from the London Collections

A snug beret in copper-coloured velours seamed in sections like an orange. Scotts, Bond Street

(Right) Beret in biscuit coloured panne velvet trimmed with black velvet

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THE line that emerges from the recent winter collections held by the London designers for overseas buyers is restrained, elegant and wearable with a few touches of bravura to startle and point the way. Some of these will be developed in the future, such as the loose wraparound three-quarter coats of Digby Morton with a one-sided dip and the Turkish looped tunic skirt of Mattli.

The majority of the tight skirts reach the mid-calf or even a little lower, and those with a deep inverted pleat in the centre back giving an apron line or the wraparound type with hidden pleats in the front are the most becoming. The hobble skirts with slits at the hem looked most uncomfortable. Suit jackets have lengthened, though none of them can be called really long and they fit the figure and button high up with wide flat revers or turn-down collars; sleeves are plain and set into the shoulders.

are plain and set into the shoulders.

The waistline has dropped a fraction on almost all the day clothes and the effect of shaped dipping belts on dresses and pockets placed low down on top coats tends to give a tapered look to the hem. Town coats in smooth cloth or duveteen with a widish hem and wide flat revers and collars fit the figure like a glove. They are sometimes given a second and flattering top collar of nutria. The circular coat is retained by Hartnell in a wonderful reversible cloth, cinnamon one side, oatmeal the other, that has a dropped shoulder line with the melon sleeves set into points.

Both cloth day dresses and cocktail dresses keep the tubular silhouette whether in smooth woollens, in metallic brocades or in stiff silks in "stained glass window" colours in plaids and graded stripes. They are collarless with plain long sleeves and sometimes have a fantail or bustle, as in Stiebel's dramatic "exit" dresses. In quite another style are sophisticated dresses with long clinging transparent sleeves below rather low oval-shaped décolletés that are most attractive.

Evening dresses have all been full-length, and both tight skirts, with one-sided winged drapery, or bustled backs, and full skirts have been shown. Square décolletés with straps or strapless boned bodices are both featured. Favoured materials are slipper satin, mottled and metallic brocades, chiffon, tulle and a wonderful pure silk chiffon jersey in a deep dim turquoise blue. Both finely ribbed plain and shot silk velvets appear as cocktail and evening dresses.

Green looks like becoming the colour of the day. It permeated the collections as a dark rich olive green, a deep Lincoln green, sage green and the more obvious bottle green, and these were often combined with black or with nutria, either as fur or fabric. A warmish mole and a smoky purple grey looked chic combined with black. Lovely mixtures of muted colours appear for tweed suits and coats



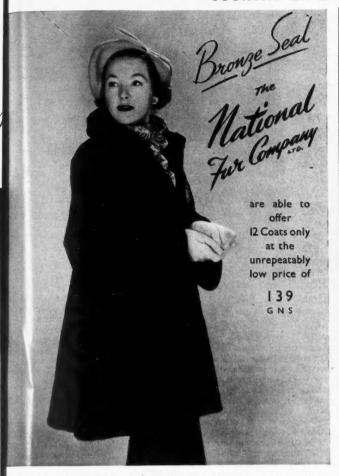
and tweed has been prominently featured. A warm shade of copper replaces tangerine. Reds, both ruby and garnet shades, and deep blues combine with black in checks and plaids for tweeds and stiff silks. A blinding vermilion red and geranium pink flash through the day-time collections; a very subdued pearly-grey blue is a charming newcomer at night and there are smart combinations of copper brown and black in fragile materials.

Digby Morton incorporated considerable novelty into the simple, moulded lines of his suits. Skirts were almost up to the knees, while the fine jersey tops bound with the check similar to the revers or facings of the jacket gave the illusion of a dress. A tweed cardig in suit thonged down the fronts of the jacket and on the slit in the sirt was interesting. Long wraparound coats with wide collars that folded back on themselves were featured in tweed and camel.

Worth showed a charming dinner dress in the pure silk chift in jersey that is one of the favourite novelties of the season. This is a boat-shaped décolleté and a folded bodice, a skirt that falls in long limp folds from a deep waistband that is lightly embroided in scrolls of diamanté. A stiff silver grey silk brocaded with pipicotees made a short waisted jacket over a dress with a wis skirt and a strapless top.

Magnificent materials appeared at Mattli's in a most interesticollection. A gleaming black duchesse satin made a formal evenidress with a low square décolleté and a slim skirt broken by floatiside panniers and a short train. A soft gossamer-weight grey sand silver thread jersey made a simple cocktail dress that gleamwith every movement like molten metal. A wraparound sage grecoat lined with opossum with fur revers was shown over a platubular opal tweed dress that moulded from throat to the hem at the wrists.

The topcoats at Hardy Amies looked very new with their hup pockets placed low and tapering hemlines. Shoulders appeared to expand and square up under this treatment. Suits have had the waistlines slightly lowered, retain their elegant pencil-slim skirts and fitted jackets with flared basques. Pockets tended to be placed irregularly. The newest plain fabrics possessed an ottoman rib. Fragile raby lace made a glamorous cocktail dress with long clinging sleeves, low oval décolletage and a low back framed with braided



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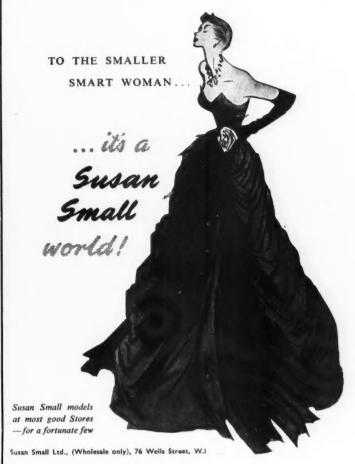
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rose in the same shade. It was worn under a fitted ruby velvet coat.

Charles Creed's suits possess a crisp, clean-cut outline, very tailored and slick, and he gabardines, whipcords uses and woollens with a very close weave. Black and smoky grey cloth town suits have the side seams of their tubular skirts braided with narrow soutache, as well as the fronts and pockets of the jackets. A beautiful town coat in black duveteen with a fitted waist, flared skirt, a frogged front has a wide flat second collar and revers in nutria that flatter one. A pale green and oatmeal tweed topcoat lined with moleskin has its two half belts placed either side below the arms, giving a narrow look to the hem. The broken belt theme was used in a most intelligent manner on the jacket of a suit. A narrow 2-inch belt was placed in the centre of the back and the front fastened mid-way from both

sides with belts and a buckle. For shooting, Mr. Creed designs an outfit that combines a Norfolk jacket with jodhpur leggings and knickerbockers. He shows it in a dark army grey gabardine.

ORMAN HARTNELL'S tulles for winter made a brilliant group ORMAN HARTNELL'S tulles for winter made a brilliant group with "rainbow" skirts composed of vertical bands of bright, delicate colours. Two ravishing débutante frocks are a white tulle starred with glittering flowers and a stiff white taffeta with its wide skirt touched with pale blue broderie anglaise. This has a sleeveless waist-length coatee with pale blue Peter Pan collar into which a pink blush rose is tucked. An accordion-pleated black velvet with a wide hooped skirt and a cross-over décolleté that ties over each shoulder is called Romance, and he shows sophisticated clinging pin-tucked chiffons



An English guipure lace edging and insertion in deep ecru. Jacoby-Ikle

elaborately dovetailed so the the tucking moulds them the knee when they are leased into filmy flounces. shows them in poppy red ar black, with bootlace should straps and pleated and affle shoulder capes. A tule e tirely frosted with silver bea was in tones of sweetpe pin and pale blue. The olde bodice, a deep band under the waistline and the long s eev coatee were in blue, the dee hem in pink.

Victor Stiebel aptly cal his elegant day and evenin dresses with fan tails and bad panels "exit" dresses, and h shows them in taffeta, velve smooth cloth and brecade Ankle-length evening dresse with slim fronts and thi flaring back line move with grace. The décolletés tend to be high at the back and lo and square in the front. A ga tulle dress for the older woma is in ruby and black with deep flounced hem and rub satin ribbon tying across th

Another tulle with a bouffant iridescent bronze and apple green tulle skirt was most effective. Excellent dark grey tatallor-made kept a closely moulded silhouette with pigskin bel's and a single dec inverted pleat in the centre back that broke the pencil line of the skirt. Cherry and olive green facings brighten two of the grey suits. Ambe buttons match the pigskin belt of another.

Peter Russell calls his new winter colour red pewter, and it is a cross between cyclamen and dark smoky grey. He shows an entire ensemble in it—duveteen coat over a suit with a longish jacket and under the a tucked jersey silk sweater in the identical colour.

Michael Sherard lines his top coats with jersey and narrows them to the hemline, and uses muted tangerine satin to line the Persian lamb cap over a black bouclé suit. P. Joyce Reynolds.

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ACROSS.—1, Notepaper; 6, Cabin; 9, Graceless; 10, Eaten; 11 and 12, Read the minutes; 13, Doe; 14, Science; 17, Strawed; 19, Neptune; 22, Gnarled; 24, Sea; 25 and 26, Pyrrhic victory; 29, Phial; 30, Patrician; 31, Rages; 32, Sternness. DOWN.—1, Niger; 2, Tiara; 3, Preston; 4, Precede; 5, Resumes; 6, Cleaner; 7, Bath towel; 8, Nine-sided; 14, Sandpiper; 15, Importing; 16 and 18, Canton; 20, Upholds; 21, Escapes; 22, Gavotte; 23, Auction; 27, Opine: 28, Yanks.

ACROSS

- 1. Keats's nightingale (8, 4)
- 8. Davies turning to the 500 said what he thought should be done (7) 9. What young Bowman gets into and out of?
- 11. Wreathe (7)
- 12. Painter of Our Mill (7)
- 13. Fence, perhaps, without taking a definite line
- 14. Weatherwise bird (9)
- 16. Maltreat, but not by kicking (9)
- 19. Not every one uses a chisel (5)
- "I know I have the body of a weak and feeble woman, but I have the heart and—of a king."—Queen Elizabeth (7)
- 23. Third stone on a plate (7)
- 24. In these contests is it a Commander who faces the bowling? (7)
- 25. Out! (But not if the catch was dropped) (7) 26. Not here for an M.P. in his house (7, 5)

DOWN

- "Her father lov'd me; oft —— me;
 "Still questioned me the story of my life."
 —Shakespere (7
- 2. This may be the object of throwing (7)
- 3. Put right in a different suit (9)
- What Colonel Newcome said when his nan was called (5)
- What's in his name? Man and animal, '00 (7 6. Max's home from home (7)
- 7. What every conductor has to do (4, 3,
- 10. The broker's repertoire? (12)
- 15. Sever pole (anagr.) (9)
- He seems able to put on a human exhi ition to begin with (7)
- How hard a little insect makes an arc ited grow (7)
- 19. Cane for the hand using palm (7)
- 20. Dotty way to paint (7)
- 22. You have to make it in a hurry (5)

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